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Regular	Our Price
Ayer's Sarsaparilla	\$1.00 50c
Carter's Pills	25c 2 for 35c
Codger's Red Pills	50c 40c
Coke Dandruff Cure	\$1.00 75c
Green Mt. Renovator	\$1.00 67c
Malted Milk	1.00 75c
Mellin's Food	75c 55c
Lydia Pinkham's Com.	1.00 67c
Paine's Celery Com.	1.00 69c
Scrap Flgs	25c 1c
(V. A.)	1.00 90c

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We give you just what your doctor orders and at prices that are all right.

Wilson House Drug Store
The recognized Prescription Pharmacists

Our Bulletin for Saturday

Choice Young TURKEYS, 18c
Fat Young DUCKS, 15c
Plump Young FOWLS, 15c
Large, elegant, young ROASTING CHICKENS, 20c
Also native Poultry from Eagle Bridge.
NATIVE SPRING LAMB, 30-40c
GREEN MINT for Sauce.

Extra quality yearling Lambs and choice fat veals.
NATIVE PIG PORK, from Charlemont. Our old fashioned Sausages and sugar cured Hams and Bacon. Pickled Beef Tongues.

PRIME HEAVY BEEF of superior quality, any cut you want.
Everything in Cooked, Smoked and Pickled Meats, Sausages of all kinds.
Creamery Butter 30c, Stamped Eggs 25c, Providence River Oysters 40c, California Oranges, 20c.

All kinds of green vegetables, received fresh Saturday morning, head and curly lettuce, radishes, cucumbers, spinach, dandelions, kale, green mint, water cress, parsley, celery, ripe tomatoes, etc.

SWEET POTATOES.
LOWEST CASH PRICES.

Bateman's
City Market

BOERS DRIVEN FROM INTRENCHED HILLS

Got Within Twenty Miles of Bloemfontein when Lord Roberts Sent Overwhelming Force Against Them. British Lost Quite Heavily in the Attack and Boers Fought Fiercely for Hours. Indications that Burghers are Retreating. Queen Says Kruger will Not Kill Her

London, March 31.—The head of the army of Lord Roberts is now about 21 miles north of Bloemfontein. It occupies a cluster of hills won from the Boers after a stiff fight, in which the British lost eight officers and 100 men. Lord Roberts' report of the fight follows:

Bloemfontein, March 3.—Owing to the activity of the enemy on our immediate front, and their hostile action towards the burghers who surrendered under the terms of my proclamation, I found it necessary to drive them from some kopjes they had occupied near the Karee Siding station, a few miles south of Bloemfontein. The operation was successfully carried out by the Seventh (Tucker's) division, assisted by the First and Third cavalry brigades, under French and LeGallais' regiment of mounted infantry. The enemy retreated to Brandfort, and our troops now hold the kopjes. Our casualties were: Killed, Captain Goring; wounded, Captains Sedlar, Luard, Peebles, Curgenven and Edwards, Lieutenants Coulson and French, and about 100 rank and file.

The Boers had been using these kopjes as a base for marauding bands that have been beating up the country adjacent to Bloemfontein for supplies, driving off cattle and forcing non-resistant Free Staters into their ranks again. The enemy must have been in considerable force, as Lord Roberts sent 8000 infantry and 3000 cavalry against them.

Lord Roberts' progress to Pretoria will probably consist of a series of such forward movements, in which Boer positions will be attacked by a portion of the army advancing rapidly with wheel transport, the main army coming up as the railway is repaired.

Lord Roberts is stripping the forces in the minor spheres of operations of their wagons and transport animals in order to hasten the advance. This is understood to be the reason why he recalled Lord Methuen from Barkly West.

Lord Roberts had to have Methuen's transport.

Enemy Leaves Brandfort, But British Casualties Were Heavy

Lord Roberts cables from Bloemfontein that reports point to the enemy's leaving Brandfort for the north.

The casualties of Thursday's engagement are more numerous than at first reported. Officers killed, two; wounded, eight; rank and file killed, 10; wounded, 150.

Boer Report of the Fighting South of Brandfort

The Boer report from Kroonstad, Orange Free State, Friday, follows: "General Smuts today engaged the British at Mafelko, south of Brandfort, and held them at bay six hours. "The burghers fought well. "The casualties are unknown. "The Free State road will assemble at Kroonstad, April 2."

AUTHORITY OF PHILIPPINE COMMISSION SUPREME OVER MATTERS NOT MILITARY

So Decided at Cabinet Meeting. Secretary Gage Says War Taxes May Safely Be Reduced

Washington, March 31.—The cabinet was in session yesterday for an hour longer than usual, and the leading topic of discussion was the instructions to be given the new Philippine commission. These instructions, it is learned, have not yet been formally communicated to the commissioners, but in all probability they will be within a day or two.

It is known, however, that it is the purpose of the president to make the civil government of the Philippines, represented by the commission, superior to the military in all matters pertaining to the government of the islands not strictly military in character. It is believed that Judge Taft, before he accepted the chairmanship of the commission, had a perfect understanding with the president as to the relations which should exist between the civil and military authorities, and also that from the time

the commission arrives in Manila its authority will be supreme, under the president, as to all matters of government.

Secretary Gage occupied some time in making a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the government. He stated that since July 1, 1899, there had accumulated a surplus of revenues over receipts of about \$55,000,000, and that by the end of this year, it probably would amount to over \$60,000,000. This surplus is accounted for by large receipts from customs and by a material reduction in the expenditures on account of the war. The secretary is of the opinion that the present rate of taxation might safely be reduced to some extent and it was with a view to a possible recommendation to congress by the president on the subject that the secretary made his statement.

Washington, March 31.—At the beginning of the session of the senate, Mr. Foster of Washington offered and had passed resolution directing the secretary of the navy to report what surveys had been made of the islands recently acquired by the United States.

The house today had a general debate on the fortifications appropriations bill.

Washington, March 31.—An amendment to the Porto Rican bill providing that the Porto Rican legislature should have no authority to enact laws in conflict with the constitution of the United States was defeated 15 to 81.

Washington, March 31.—Ex-United States Senator Gibson of Maryland is dead.

London, March 31.—Even the details of the engagement yesterday at Karee Siding station, a few miles south of Bloemfontein, fail to instill much interest.

It appears to have been a one-sided affair, although the Boers held their ground against the force four times their size for three hours, when, foreseeing the danger of cavalry flanking them the burghers withdrew in good order on the main body at Brandfort. It seems they later decided to relinquish with a view, doubtless, to occupying the prepared position further north.

Lord Roberts reports news of Colonel Baden-Powell's march, the 10th. His health and spirits are good, his food is holding out well, and the paper currency the British commander has issued is satisfactory.

Preparations for the Queen's Visit to Ireland

The life guards, couriers, carriages, pots and pans and other royal paraphernalia has already gone to the Emerald Isle, which eagerly waits the queen to follow.

How her majesty will be received and the prospects of her doings in Dublin quite overshadow all other topics, even in a week which has been marked by the inter-variety boat race, the resignation of the Duke of Norfolk as postmaster general, the announcement of the Delagoa Bay railroad award and rumors of a possible war in the far east.

Great Britain's own war in South Africa has almost been forgotten so uninteresting has been the progress of peace in the Orange Free State compared with the stirring accounts of battles which the British people have grown accustomed to read daily.

The queen is said to be in excellent health and well able to bear the strain of a trip to Ireland.

She will commence the journey April 2 and sleep on board the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, landing at Kingstown, April 4.

In anticipation of her majesty's progress through the city streets, Dublin has already gay flags and decorations. A curious feature of the preparations at the vice regal lodge, where the queen will stay, are the pots and pans already referred to.

Her majesty is tremendously particular about the kitchen arrangements and those at the vice regal lodge were found to be quite below the royal standard, consequently no less than 300 copper fricandeau pans, 84 saucepans, 50 copper stock pots and many other varieties of cooking utensils have been sent to Dublin especially for the visit.

The Earl of Denbigh, who goes to Ireland, as the chief royal entourage, and lord-in-waiting, holds three Irish titles and was formerly aide-de-camp to the lord-lieutenant.

However, though the queen is said

to be full of excitement and enthusiasm in regard to her approaching visit, she is not forgetful of South Africa.

A story is going the rounds that the queen remarked that she was aware many people imagined her anxiety about the war would cause her death. "I may die," added her majesty, "but it will be from some other cause. I do not mean to let Mr. Kruger kill me."

Great Britain's Peers Go to Fight for Country

The almost unprecedented action of a cabinet minister giving up his office to go and fight for his country, results in giving South Africa not only England's peer, but three other holders of the highest rank in the peerage, namely, the Duke of Marlborough, Duke of Roxburgh, ranging from 52 years old, in the case of the Duke of Norfolk, to the Duke of Westminster, 21.

Lord Roberts Needed Lord Methuen's Transport

The reason why a hot chase was not made after Commandant Olivier is that Lord Roberts did not wish to wear out the cavalry transport. General French lost 3000 horses in the relief of Kimberley and the pursuit of General Cronje. Lord Roberts lost 3000 transport cattle at Watermaal Drift, and it is estimated that he has lost 4000 other animals since the forward movement began on Feb. 13.

The advance beyond Bloemfontein is through a bare country, and the supply officers foresee an increasing difficulty in providing for the great army moving along a single line of railway, even when the latter is working smoothly and with ample rolling stock.

The Canadian mounted rifles were part of the force that occupied Kenhardt yesterday.

The rebellion throughout the north-west districts of Cape Colony is almost suppressed.

The Goths will sail Saturday with 600 men for St. Helena to guard General Cronje and 4000 prisoners.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of The Daily Chronicle, telegraphing March 29, says: President Kruger's latest proclamation warns the women and children to leave Bloemfontein within five days, as he intends to bombard and destroy the city and to shoot the burghers whom he captures there.

TERROR OF PANAY SURRENDERS TO KOBBE

Manila, March 31.—The Chinese general, who has been terrorizing and devastating the province of Panay, surrendered to General Kobbe and is being brought to Manila.

South Acton, Mass., March 31.—The postoffice was robbed during the night. It was thoroughly ransacked, the entire stock of stamps being taken and a quantity of the stock of a variety store.

There is no clue.

FINANCIAL

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

Received through the office of Lehman & Co., Commission Stock Brokers, Burlingame block.

	March 31.
Atch	29 1/2 29 1/2 29 1/2
Atch Jr	73 1/2 73 1/2 73 1/2
B. R. T.	73 1/2 72 1/2 72 1/2
C. B. & Q.	132 131 1/2 131 1/2
Cont. Tob	33 32 1/2 32 1/2
C. C. C.	66 1/2 65 1/2 65 1/2
Fed. Steel	57 54 1/2 54 1/2
Fed. Steel Jr ..	75 1/2 74 1/2 74 1/2
Lea Jr	13 13 13
L. & N.	86 1/2 86 1/2 86 1/2
Man	97 1/2 96 1/2 96 1/2
Mo. Pac.	50 1/2 49 1/2 49 1/2
M. K. T. Jr.	36 1/2 36 1/2 36 1/2
N. Y. C.	137 1/2 137 1/2 137 1/2
P. M.	37 1/2 37 1/2 37 1/2
P. M. Gas	109 106 1/2 106 1/2
Rubber	32 32 32
Rock Island ..	113 1/2 113 1/2 113 1/2
Reading Jr.	63 1/2 63 1/2 63 1/2
S. R. Jr.	61 60 1/2 60 1/2
St. Paul	124 1/2 124 1/2 124 1/2
Sugar	106 105 1/2 105 1/2
T. C. I.	97 1/2 97 1/2 97 1/2
Tobacco	107 105 1/2 105 1/2
Union Pac.	58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2
Union Pac Jr ..	77 1/2 76 1/2 76 1/2
W. U.	84 1/2 84 1/2 84 1/2
Wab Jr.	22 1/2 22 1/2 22 1/2
Wire	58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2

CHICAGO MARKET

	Opening.	67 1/2	67 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2
Wheat, May, ...	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
July, ...	68 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Corn, May, ...	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
July, ...	40 1/2	40 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
Oats, May, ...	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Perk, May, ...	1265	1270	1260	1260	1260
Lard, May, ...	642	645	637	637	637

BANK STATEMENT.

Reserve, increase	\$4,018,850
Loans, increase	3,280,900
Legals, increase	2,915,900
Specie, increase	9,098,000
Deposits, increase	7,700,200
Circulation, increase	875,900

CAMBRIDGE WINS RACE

Time of Winning Crew Was 18 Minutes and 47 Seconds. Magnificent Weather and Immense Crowds for the Great Event

Putney, England, March 31.—The 67 annual boat race of crews representing the universities of Oxford and Cambridge took place today on the usual course, from Putney to Mortlake. It was won by Cambridge by 20 lengths.

The official time for Cambridge was 18 minutes and 47 seconds. There was magnificent weather and immense crowds.

YALE-HARVARD GAMES AT CAMBRIDGE, MAY 12

Boston, March 31.—At a meeting of the Yale-Harvard dual track association today it was decided to hold the games at Cambridge, May 12.

Portland, Maine, March 31.—The A-lan liner, Californian, which was aground on Rain Island ledge five weeks ago as she was leaving for Liverpool, was floated this morning by tugs.

LOCAL NEWS.

HORSE WAS MISSING

When Recovered, Wagon Was Broken and Robes Were Gone

Peter Rossman, the expressman, had a peculiar experience Thursday night. His horse was hitched in his barn on Elm street, and as he had an appointment to carry some passengers late at night from one of the entertainments, was harnessed in the express wagon.

When he went to the barn shortly before midnight, the horse and wagon were missing, and he could not locate them. Finally on the street he was told that the horse was at Johnson's stables, and there he found out that the team had been brought in by Walter O'Brien. The latter said that he had found the team on Center street, and not knowing whose it was, had taken it to the stables.

The top of the wagon was broken off from some cause. Two valuable fur robes were also missing, and Mr. Rossman has been unable to get any trace of these. The loss is a heavy one for him, and he is much mystified as to how the animal could have gotten out of the barn.

ADAMS FIRE DISTRICT MEETING

New Hose House Question Referred to Committee. Officers Elected

The annual meeting of the Adams fire district was held in the opera house Adams this afternoon. F. W. Spalding, clerk of the district called the meeting to order and A. E. Mole was chosen moderator.

The reports of the prudential committee and the treasurer were read and adopted.

The matter of lighting the streets for the ensuing year was referred to the prudential committee.

It was voted to raise by taxation the sum of \$12,500, which with the water rents and other funds will give the district the sum of \$28,000 to expend. The usual discount on taxes was voted and the prudential committee were given the usual power to borrow in anticipation of revenue.

The matter of a new hose house and the selling of the present one was submitted to a committee consisting of C. T. Plunkett, W. S. Jenks, W. B. Orr, A. B. Daniels and Paul Mooney.

The prudential committee were authorized to buy the George Dodge property near the Bassett reservoir for \$500. The following officers were elected: Clerk and treasurer, F. W. Spalding; prudential committee for three years, W. S. Jenks; first assistant engineer, John S. Adams, Jr.; second assistant, Fred R. Shaw; third assistant, James Day; fourth assistant, Dr. A. E. Boom; chief engineer, H. A. Jones.

Death of Levi Granger

Levi Granger, 90 years old, of Hoosac Tunnel, died this morning of heart trouble. He had been in poor health for some time, and was feeble from old age. He owned a large farm near the eastern portal and was well known. He leaves two sons, one of whom, E. L. Granger, lives in this city, and four daughters, three of whom are married and live elsewhere, and the fourth, Miss Adeline Granger, living in Hoosac tunnel.

Skipped by the Light of the Moon

Sheriff Morrissey of Stamford was here today looking for Henry Nicholson of that town, who with his wife, a colored woman, and children, drove south through here at 5.30 this morning with two wagons loaded with household goods, and leading a cow. All this property is mortgaged to Sheriff Morrissey, and he wants to recover. The party must have left Stamford at a very early hour this morning, and was seen in Adams at 10 o'clock today. The officers south of here were notified.

Foremost Providers for Suits for Men

All that's between you and spring is a snow flurry or two and they will but emphasize the beauties of the approaching season. That you may have ample time to select your spring suit for Easter we have already put on sale and are now displaying the entire stock.

\$5 to \$10 Suits

As viewed in our State street window gives you an idea of what we are doing in strictly up to date all wool, grey, brown, blue and black, cashmere, cheviot and worsted suits at the very lowest popular prices. Sizes 34 to 50, and your money back for the asking.

\$12 to \$25 Suits

\$12 to \$18 is where the Cutting made production is strongest and we would be judged by it. There is a point below which you cannot get all the essentials for a first class suit but it is not in the range. No clothes too new or stylish, no cut or make too good or up to date for us. Come expecting the best and you will not be disappointed.

See our front window.

Cutting & Company,

Cutting Corner

North Adams

Wedding Presents and Gifts.

If you wish bargains in Wedding Presents, Gifts, Whist Prizes, Watches, Diamonds, Cut Glass or Jewelry. Come and see us. Our stock is large and complete, fresh and up to date with prices that will meet your approbation.

L. M. BARNES The Jeweler,
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Bargains in Watches and Jewelry

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We are prepared to show you our new lines of

SUITS, TROUSERS, TOP COATS and FURNISHINGS.

All the novelties for dress and special occasion. It's a showing second to none in the city. We invite every clothing buyer in the city to inspect our stock and learn our prices before buying elsewhere.

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The Little Minister

Said to be one of the most enjoyable entertainments coming this season. Tickets on sale here and when in to buy ask us about that Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil. We are selling at 50c, same as Sco's at \$1.00. We also carry a full line of all the leading spring medicines—Hood's Sarsaparilla, Green's Nervura, Pinkham's Compound, Peruna and a host of others that are widely advertised, all of which we are selling at cut prices. We have also some articles sold on guarantee that have no superiors as blood purifiers and tonics. Sarsaparilla and red clover, Old Time Bitters, Elixir Celery Comp. Try a bottle of our Beef, Iron and Wine. If you have a receipt or prescription we can save you money and guarantee accuracy.

Geo. A. Hastings

Your Wants Easily Satisfied for Saturday

Especially in native Poultry, Native Spring Lamb and Green Min. We also have

Fancy young Vermont turkeys 13c
Choice fresh dressed chickens 18c
Extra nice fresh fowls 16c

Choice young native pig pork, home-made sausage, sugar cured hams and bacon, nice young lambs and fat veals.
Best creamery butter, 30c lb | Borden's stamped eggs, 25c doz
Providence River oysters 40c qt

In Vegetables—Lettuce, radishes, cucumbers, spinach, dandelions, beet greens, fancy sweet potatoes, squashes, parsnips, parsley, celery, rhubarb, water cress.

Stockwell & Rosston, 19 MAIN STREET. Telephone 232

Spring Medicines

Reg. Price.	Our Price.	Sulphur Bitters	1.00	85
Burdock Blood Bitters	1.00	Sulphur Bitters	1.00	85
Miles' Restorative Blood Purifier	1.00	Wing's Iron Bitters	1.00	69
Dr. Flint's Quaker Bitters	1.00	Langley's Bitters	1.00	25
Swift's Specific (large)	1.75	Hop Bitters	1.00	35
Swift's Specific (small)	1.00	Hottel's Bitters	1.00	66
Kennedy's Medical Discovery	1.50	Cuticura Resolvent	1.00	85
Shenck's Sea Weed Tonic	1.00	Pinkham's Blood Purifier	1.00	85
Electric Bitters	.50	Shoof's Restorative	1.00	85

Canedy & Blossom Apothecaries
100 Main Street, North Adams.

SOME SCRIPTURAL STORIES

Cited by Pettus as a Parallel to the Attitude of Gallinger and Beveridge

Washington, March 31.—Merriment swept away the traditional dignity of the senate yesterday. Staid sticklers for senatorial decorum held their sides and shouted with laughter while the crowded galleries joined in the laughing tumult, to restrain which not the faintest effort was made. Senator Pettus of Alabama, the oldest member of the body, delivered the funniest speech heard within the senate chamber in many years. It sparkled with wit and bubbled over with humor. Its sarcasm was keen, but not bitter.

Mr. Pettus' speech was mostly personal in its application. He first took Mr. Gallinger to task. "I was very much entertained by the senator from New Hampshire yesterday," he said, "when he informed us that he was not a lawyer, and he proved it to us, not only by asserting it, but by his argument only by asserting it. He then related an anecdote illustrating his point, in which a preacher of old time had figured in Alabama.

"The minister," he said, "was as learned in the Bible as my friend from New Hampshire is in the law. He said: 'Brethren, my text today will be the following: Seven sons did Milkah bear unto Enon. Now I expect the brethren,' the preacher went on, 'if you would look at the commentaries you would find various meanings to this text; but taking a common sense view of it, I will say this: I expect that Enon was sick and the doctor told his sons, seven great, strong fellows, that it was absolutely necessary that he should have milk for his nutriment; and thereupon the seven sons went out to look up the cows. The sons could not find them; but they came across a bear and they milked her and carried the milk to Enon; and so, brethren, it is written: Seven sons did milk a bear unto Enon.'

"That preacher," concluded Mr. Pettus amid an outburst of hearty laughter, "had as accurate a conception of the scriptures as some of our senators have of the law of the land."

Mr. Pettus then turned his attention to the speech of Senator Beveridge, and said: "We had a wonderful declaration yesterday from our great orator. It was so marvelous that I dare say that such a thing has never before been heard in the senate. When you get a genuine orator he is absolutely absorbed from all rules of logic or common sense. When it is necessary in the fervor of oratorical flourishes to prove a proposition true or false, rules of common sense and the decent observance of what is due to others must not stand in the way of maintaining 'my reputation' as an orator. It will not do."

"Mr. President, I was amazed at that speech. I tell you the senior or junior senator from Iowa, I do not know which, and the senior or junior senator from Maine, I do not know which, will have to take some action in reference to that orator. There will have to be some caucus on the matter. These four wise men from Maine and Iowa could not devote their time, if they want to serve their party well, better than to take some consideration of the orators in this chamber."

"Mr. President, the Master once had to select a man to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt and through the wilderness to Canaan. He did not select an orator. No, he selected one of these men from Iowa or Maine, and his name was Moses. And he was a stubborn man, too. But Moses told his Master that he could not do it, because he could not speak to the people. And what was the reply?"

"There is Aaron, he speaks well, and they took Aaron along, not in command, but as a kind of deputy. And when Moses, on his Master's order, went up into the mountain for the tables, the orator left in charge had a golden calf framed, and he put all the people down to worship the golden calf. More people worship the golden calf now than did in those days. But while Aaron and his people were all down worshipping the man of God appeared and pulled his sword and demanded to know who was on the Lord's side, and the orator jumped up from his knees, drew his sword, and got on Moses' side and went to killing the Israelites with Moses. 'All these orators will do the same thing. The best one of them. We saw an instance of it yesterday.'"

At the conclusion of his speech, Senator Depew was the first to congratulate Mr. Pettus, and the New Yorker's hearty hand clasp was followed by such an ovation as a man seldom receives in the senate. During the entire session, Mr. Pettus received the congratulations of his colleagues.

Previous to Mr. Pettus' speech, Mr. Proctor had delivered a forceful argument in support of free trade with Puerto Rico, and urged the keeping of our promises. He expressed his approval of the civil government feature of the pending bill, and his regret on account of the tariff provision that he could not vote for it.

"It is practically admitted," he said, "that free trade with Puerto Rico does not harm the sugar or tobacco interests materially, but they claim that it creates a precedent that may harm them if adopted in reference to the Philippines and Cuba. It will be time to cross these rivers when we come to them, and in my opinion the crossing will not be difficult when the proper time comes for action."

"The people look upon this as a matter of principle, and their moral sense has been shocked and the national heart and conscience stirred by the fear that this measure of taxation will be adopted by congress."

Machinists' Strike Settled.
Chicago, March 31.—The settlement of the strike in the machine shops of Chicago was reached yesterday. It is a settlement which is to be national in its scope, and under its terms the general strike timed to involve the 150,000 machinists of the country, about April 1, will be averted.

Reformer Again Free.
London, March 31.—The Times' Hong Kong correspondent says: Kwong-Yu-Pui, the Chinese reformer, recently abducted from Hong Kong and taken to Canton, has escaped and is safe at Macao.

RETAILERS EXPECT LARGE BUSINESS

New York, March 31.—Bradstreet's says: It has been a quiet week in distributive trade, except at some few western centers, this being especially true of the dry goods business. Wholesale trade in this line has been generally completed, and pending the effect of spring demands upon the retail trade, the market is in a waiting stage. Cold, chilly weather has certainly retarded this latter branch of trade, but a large spring distribution is confidently expected at retail.

As regards prices, the feature of the week has been the strength manifested by agricultural products and provisions. Numerous advances in wages have still further advanced the purchasing power of the community. Disquieting advices as to international complications and less favorable French crop reports furnished the basis for a slight upward movement in wheat. It is to be noted also that foreign and domestic demand for wheat flour has been very good. Corn has been strong, in sympathy with wheat and some renewal of foreign buying, aided by unsatisfactory advices as to the quality of new arrivals.

Alone of the agricultural staples cotton has weakened because some speculative holders have gotten tired and have given ear to reports of fulness in the cotton goods demand. New business in this latter line is undoubtedly quiet.

Wool has been more active, but considerable business has been done at concessions. The decrease in raw wool, in fact, has marked it as differing from other lines in which prices have receded little from the highest.

Little that is new is observable in the iron and steel trade. New business is of a hand to mouth character, and this might be regarded as a depressing feature, but it is not for the fact that producers are so heavily sold ahead.

The recent advance in leather has tended to restrict new business, but advices from the boot and shoe industry are on the whole favorable. Clearings for the week aggregate \$35,378,338, a decrease of 53 percent from this week a year ago.

Fireworks Won't Be Used to Celebrate.
St. John, March 31.—The hardware establishment of George P. Beverly was destroyed last evening. Fireworks had been put in the window in anticipation of a demand on the announcement of the relief of Alaska. Last evening, as the proprietor was lighting the gas, a drop of burning was felt from the taper among the crackers. A few minutes later 100 pounds of powder exploded. Plate glass windows in the neighborhood were shattered, several of the by-standers were blown off their feet and a number were badly cut by falling glass. The loss amounts to \$10,000.

Disastrous Fire at Chicago.
Chicago, March 31.—The Columbia theater was destroyed by fire yesterday, entailing a total loss of about \$150,000. The fire was discovered in the laundry of the Iroquois club, which occupied apartments on the sixth floor of the building. It is supposed that some hot coals dropped from the stove to the floor. Occupants of the building were driven to the street in such haste that in the excitement five persons were injured. There were gallant rescues of girls employed in the laundry.

Engineers and Doctors Wanted.
Washington, March 31.—In reply to inquiries from this country in regard to openings for Americans in Nicaragua, Consul Davidson, at Managua, writes that a number of engineers, physicians of American origin, and dentists may find remunerative employment in that country. There are no chances for our young graduates in the Nicaraguan schools, as the salaries are very insignificant, and the customs so different that Americans rarely prove successful.

Harvard Defeats Yale in Debate.
New Haven, March 31.—Harvard won the annual debate with Yale last night, the question being: "Resolved, That Puerto Rico Should Be Included in the Customs Boundaries of the United States." Harvard had the affirmative side of the question. The debate was well contested throughout, with the Harvard debaters showing somewhat better form and manner.

Contest Was Slow.
Hartford, March 31.—Gus Ruhlin defeated Yank Kenney in the sixth round of their fight at the Coliseum last night. Both men were big and fat and were so slow that the contest was nothing but a slug-fest. Kenney dropped from a body blow. He seemed to be in pain and did not rise until after the 10th count.

Russia's Warlike Preparations.
London, March 31.—The Sebastopol correspondent of The Daily Graphic says: War alarms fill the naval headquarters here. The garrison will soon be a powerful army corps. All the talk of bringing Turkey to her senses by forcible measures.

Nashua Cutters Got Eight-Hour Day.
Nashua, March 31.—The granite cutters' strike in this city has ended. The chief point in the agreement between the employers and the employees is that eight hours will be the length of the working day, or one hour less than formerly.

NEWS IN BRIEF.
Governor General Wood says he hopes by May to have reduced Havana's municipal budget to \$100,000 a month. Last December he found the figures exceeding \$200,000.

Former Congressman James W. Owens died at Newark, O., aged 62. He served in the Fifty-first and Fifty-second congresses.

Gilbert W. Pratt has ended his services as superintendent of the Lonsdale company's mills, Pawtucket, R. I. He has been in the employ of the company since 1866.

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GREENFIELD COUNSEL "TREATED" JURORS

Greenfield, Mass., March 31.—The American habit of "treating" has been brought to the attention of the Massachusetts court as the alleged sufficient ground to annul a verdict given by a jury, and in this instance the specific allegation is that some of the jurors who were trying the issue were the ones who were "treated." The contention is a novel one, but is brought under a statute that is deemed to fit the case.

Official notice of the "treating" habit was brought in the superior court yesterday, when motions were made for new trials in the cases of Mary Connor vs. Daniel J. Connor and trustee, and Mary Shea vs. Bert Crackenbush, on the allegation that counsel for both defendants "treated" several of the jurors, in a local saloon, during the present term of the court, at which the actions were tried and verdicts found for both defendants.

The affidavit of M. O. Vincent of Shelburne, one of the jurors, states that on the evening of March 23, after the verdicts had been found, he, together with G. Wells Frary of Barnardston, Arthur J. Hale of Conway and Edward B. Murdoch of Northfield, all jurors, visited a saloon with the lawyers and Connor and were treated to cigars and liquor, which were paid for by one of the attorneys.

The motion for a new trial was made under the statute which provides that "if either party in a case in which a verdict has been returned, during the same term of court, either before or after the trial, gives to any of the jurors who try the case anything by way of 'treat' or gratuity the court may on motion of the adverse party set aside the verdict and award a new trial of the case." The motion will be heard at a special assignment.

Testified Against His "Partner."
Boston, March 31.—In the United States district courtroom yesterday during the trial of George E. Litchfield and William Davis, charged with counterfeiting, Davis, the co-defendant with Litchfield, who confessed to his share in the work months ago and is now serving his sentence, made a dramatic plea, when he cross-questioned his fellow defendant, then took the witness stand and told what he said was a true story of the counterfeiting operations at Winthrop. By his story Litchfield was made to have a very important part in the case.

Disagrees With Bishop Potter.
Boston, March 31.—In a lecture here last night, Rev. Fr. McQuaid replied to some published statements credited to Bishop Potter. Fr. McQuaid denied that the Philippines were exceptionally immoral, or that their standard of living was lowered by the priesthood. He denied that they were superstitious to any special degree, saying: "Talk about your superstition, when in Boston a man who makes lucky boxes in Lynn for 2 cents apiece sells them for a dollar."

Pritchett Succeeds Craft.
Boston, March 31.—The corporation of the Massachusetts institute of technology, at a special meeting, confirmed the election of Dr. Henry S. Pritchett as president of the institution, in place of Professor W. A. Crafts, resigned. Dr. Pritchett, who is 43 years of age, is the present chief of the United States coast survey, is a native of Missouri and has a world-wide fame as an astronomer and mathematician.

Walsh Whipped by Walcott.
New York, March 31.—Joe Walcott, the welterweight, defeated Andy Walsh, who is in the middleweight class, in a 20-round bout last night. Walcott weighed 142 pounds, while Walsh weighed 154 pounds. The greater part of the betting was done on the basis of Walsh not lasting 10 rounds, and Walcott's backers were financial losers.

Strikers' Riot in Pennsylvania.
Dubois, Pa., March 31.—The striking miners at the Horatio mines of the Berwind-White Coal Mining company last night attacked the miners who have remained at work. Women and children aided the strikers. Over 100 shots were fired. Three were wounded. Forty men and women were arrested. Further trouble is expected.

Batson Made a Major.
Washington, March 31.—Lieutenant Batson, the leader of the little band of native scouts which rendered such effective service in the campaign in Luzon, has been selected as the organizer of a battalion of Macabebes, which is to serve as the nucleus of the force of native Filipinos to be raised hereafter. He will return to Manila with the rank of major.

Was a Writer, Lecturer and Preacher.
Manchester, N. H., March 31.—Rev. Thomas A. Dorion died here Friday of paralysis. He was the pioneer mission worker of the Methodist denomination among the French-Canadians in this state and was widely known as a writer and lecturer, as well as a preacher. He was of Huguenot descent and a native of Canada.

Extensive Japanese Immigration.
San Francisco, March 31.—Working men in this state are becoming alarmed at the steadily increasing number of Japanese immigrants. It is stated that since Jan. 1, 1899, no less than 3420 laborers from Japan have arrived in this country. According to labor commissioners 7000 passports have been obtained in Japan for laborers intending to come to this country.

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NAVAL BOARD'S SESSIONS

To "Keep Tabs" on Resources of Other Nations and Provide Advance Plans of Campaigns

Washington, March 31.—The first meeting of the naval policy board has been called for April 16, and thereafter the board probably will meet once a week until it has reduced its work to routine form.

The work of the board will be without precedent. It is true that heretofore what are known as the intelligence bureaus of the war and navy departments have endeavored to compile and have in shape for use in case of hostilities information respecting the resources, in a warlike way, of other nations. But this work was an incident to the routine duties of the intelligence officers, and owing to lack of systematic direction has never been of more than ephemeral value.

The policy board is to undertake this work on larger lines and probably will be guided by European methods. It will be its business to provide in advance and have ready for instant use completely worked out plans of naval campaigns, offensive and defensive, applicable to any maritime power with which the United States may by any possibility come into hostile conflict in the future.

The preparation of these plans involves an enormous amount of work, theoretical and practical. The military and naval resources of foreign countries must be ascertained to a nicety, and this information must be renewed from the latest sources from time to time. Accurate coast charts and plans of defenses must be secured in order to avoid as far as possible the serious omission made by the British authorities in the case of the geography of the Transvaal.

The war college probably will be called upon to assist in the work by continuing on an enlarged scale the planning of the utilization of the United States naval forces in defensive campaigns. Another branch of the work will be the preparation of plans for naval operations when the navy is called upon to act in conjunction with the army, both offensively and defensively.

This involves questions of harbor defense, and the protection of the naval stations. The Pearl Harbor board is now engaged in a scheme for the establishment and fortification of a naval station in that harbor, and it is probable that this report will be submitted to the policy board before any attempt is made to carry into effect its recommendations. It is possible that when Pearl harbor has been disposed of steps will be taken to consider the establishment of a naval station on the island of Guam.

Arrested on Suspicion.
Danvers, Mass., March 31.—A man about 40 years old, giving his name as Byron Green, was arrested in Medford about 1 o'clock Friday morning on suspicion of being the person who assaulted little Ruth Allen in this town on Thursday. When arrested Green was wandering about the streets, and claimed that he was being pursued by someone who had threatened to take his life. He was brought to Danvers and locked up. The prisoner is either insane or is making a very shrewd attempt at feigning insanity.

Death Under Peculiar Circumstances.
Middletown, Conn., March 31.—Mrs. John Haskell, the widow of a former prominent business man, died yesterday after a long illness with paralysis, aged 66. Less than an hour later her brother, Frederick Wilcox, aged 70, entered the death chamber and fell to the floor by the side of the bed where the lifeless form of Mrs. Haskell was. He died almost instantly from heart disease. Mr. Wilcox was a director in the Middletown National bank.

Verdict of 6 1-4 Cents in Color Line Case.
Pittsburg, March 31.—The jury in the case of Assistant District Attorney Billows against William J. McCarthy, a restaurant keeper, who refused to serve a meal to Billows and his companion, Congressman White of North Carolina, also colored, returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for 6 1-4 cents. Billows asked \$5000 damages.

Polygamist Postmaster Removed.
Washington, March 31.—It is announced at the postoffice department that J. C. Graham has been removed as postmaster at Prevo, Utah. Graham was removed as a result of an investigation by the house postoffice committee of charges that he was a polygamist. The committee found that he was guilty as charged.

Alleged Stabbing With Scissors.
Providence, March 31.—Giovanni Dolce was yesterday bound over to the grand jury for assaulting Diamante Capelli with a dangerous weapon. The two men were in a liquor saloon and quarreled after a game of cards. In the quarrel it was claimed that Dolce stabbed Capelli with a pair of scissors, causing a painful wound.

Weather Conditions and Forecast.
The disturbance which has been passing over the country since last Sunday morning, after reaching North Carolina, turned to the northward. Rains and snows have continued from the middle Mississippi valley eastward to the middle and South Atlantic coast. Generally fair weather may be expected over all districts, except in eastern and southern New England, where it will rain or snow, followed by clearing weather.

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GIVING AWAY OF OLD CANNON.

Demand For Obsolete Guns Exhausting the Supply—There Are Eight Hundred and Sixty-nine Left—Senator Mason and Millionaire Clark, Force of the Modern Projectile.

Under a law passed in 1896 condemned cannon and cannon balls may be donated or loaned to soldiers' monument associations, Grand Army posts and municipal corporations. There is a steady demand for such cannon for decorative purposes, and the number of obsolete cannon in the hands of the government is being rapidly reduced by the inroads made by the organizations entitled to them. Recently Senator Cockrell requested information concerning the obsolete and condemned cannon now on hand and available for donation, says the Washington correspondent of the New York Times. Secretary Root's reply shows that there are 869 old fashioned guns of all sorts at the different forts and arsenals. At Governors Island there are five 100 pounder Parrott rifles, each weighing 9,800 pounds; two 8 inch mortars like that at the arsenal, and two 10 inch siege mortars, each weighing 1,852 pounds. Castle Williams has twenty 32 pounders, weighing 7,200 pounds.

These are mere toys compared with some of the old fashioned guns now reposing in different parts of the country and awaiting the call of patriotic Grand Army posts. There are in different forts twenty-four 300 pounder Parrott rifles, 27,000 pounds in weight. The arsenal at Benicia, Cal., possesses more old guns than any other arsenal or fort in the country, having 98 guns of all kinds.

An entertaining story of the reason why Senator Mason of Illinois expects to vote in favor of keeping W. A. Clark, the millionaire from Montana, in his seat is going the rounds, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat's Washington representative. According to the narrative, Mason was sitting at his desk in the senate chamber when Senator Clark came up the other day and said to him, "Tilly Heath wanted to be remembered to you, and Mort Murphy wanted to know if you remembered when you stole his lunch." "Great heavens!" Mason exclaimed. "You're not Willie Clark?" Thereupon Mason recognized the millionaire as "the little freckled faced rascal" with whom he went to school at Bentonport, Ia., years before. "Of course I will vote for you," Mason is reported as saying. "I don't care if you've got the whole state in your pocket."

Now, the historical facts are that Senator Clark was born in Pennsylvania in 1839. Senator Mason was born in New York in 1850. Senator Clark is 11 years older than Senator Mason. According to his autobiography, Senator Clark moved to Iowa with his father in 1856. He was then 17 years old. He assisted in farm work for a short time, taught school and studied law in Mount Pleasant, Ia. In 1862 he was working in quartz mines around Central City, Colo. Senator Mason went with his parents to Bentonport, Ia., in 1858, at which time he was 8 and Senator Clark was 19 years old. Mr. Mason, according to his autobiography, attended school at the Bentonport academy and at Birmingham college. Bentonport and Birmingham are in Van Buren county. Mount Pleasant is in Henry county. Anyway, it is a good story.

No more impressive object lesson on a small scale of the terrific force of the modern projectile could be had than is furnished by the scar on the great rifle from the Spanish cruiser, Oquendo, which is to be mounted at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. The cannon is 20 feet long. It is of steel. Midway between breech and muzzle the pointed end of a solid shot struck. The result was not a scratch or a dent. The shot, according to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat's Washington correspondent, actually plowed into the steel a depth of four inches. It turned up the hardest of metal as if it had been soft clay. Having delivered this effect, incredible without the exhibit, the shot bounded off. Army and navy officers in scores have examined the scar with much marvel and many discussions.

Every night between the hours of 10:30 and 11:30 p. m. President McKinley has a session with his private secretary, Mr. Cortelyou. He takes this time to dictate a number of personal letters. It is about the only opportunity the president has, the day being taken up with calls from senators and representatives and others who have claims upon him, says the Chicago Journal. Of course only a small part of the White House mail ever actually reaches the president. Of the thousands of letters which arrive the greater part are read and answered by the force of some 15 clerks who are kept there for that purpose.

Skyscraper Exhibit For Paris Fair. Plans for the exhibition of models of a Chicago skyscraper as a feature of the American exhibit at the Paris exposition were completed by Willard A. Smith of the Paris commission's office, the other day. There are to be two models, each ten feet high, says the Chicago Tribune. They will exhibit the steel construction and finishings of an 11 story building. The models are to be complete in details of plumbing and interior finishings.

About 10,000,000 of the bovine species are now to be found in the Argentine Republic. They are all descendants of eight cows and one bull which were imported into Brazil in the middle of the sixteenth century.

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Second—Mrs. Pinkham has on file millions of letters from women who have been restored to health by the use of her Compound, and all that she claims can be verified by an examination of her records.

Third—All letters addressed to her at Lynn, Mass., are received, opened read, and answered by women only. This is a sacred confidence never violated. No testimonial ever published without the writer's full and free consent in writing.

How Mrs. Bougher's Life was Saved by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved my life and gave back a loving mother to eleven children, which was more than any doctor could have done or any other medicine in the wide world. My trouble was child-bed fever. The third day after my babe was born I took a chill, which was followed by a high fever. I would perspire until my clothes were as wet as though dipped in a tub of water. The chills and fever kept up for three days. My daughter got me a bottle of your Compound. The fourth dose stopped the chills, and the fever also disappeared. My life was saved. My age at this critical time was forty-nine."—Lydia E. Bougher, Ettn, Pa.

Facts About Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in Cases of Change of Life, Bearing-Down Pains, Etc.

"I had falling, inflammation and ulceration of the womb; backache, bearing-down pains; was so weak and nervous that I could not do my own work; had sick headache, no appetite, numb spells, hands and feet cold all the time. I had good doctors, but none of them did me any good. Through the advice of a lady friend I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and after taking one bottle I felt greatly relieved, and by the time I had used several bottles was completely cured, so that I could do my work again. I am now passing through the change of life and using your Compound. It helps me wonderfully. I want every suffering woman to know what your medicine has done for me."—Mrs. W. M. Bull, New Palestine, Mo.

Still More Facts Showing Irregularity is Overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I am troubled with irregular menstruation, and have begun the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Would like your advice."—Cora L. Payton, May 19, 1898.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I have taken three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, but I have a bad discharge and write to ask if I had better not use your Sanative Wash also? Your medicine is helping me."—Cora L. Payton, Ogontz, Pa., July 1, 1898.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I write to tell you of the benefit I have received from the use of your remedies. Before using them I was feeling very bad. I used to go to the hospital, but it did me no good. Your remedies have done wonders for me."—Cora L. Payton, Ogontz, Pa. Feb. 25, 1899.

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REVIEW OF "DAVID HARUM."

Mrs. Craigie's Interesting Comments on the Well Known Novel.

John Oliver Hobbes (Mrs. Craigie), the well known novelist and dramatist, publishes in the March North American Review a delightful review of "David Harum." Mrs. Craigie, who is an American by birth, though she has long resided on the other side of the Atlantic, writes from the point of view of one who is as familiar with life in England as in the United States, and an interesting opinion which she pronounces is that in spite of the magnificent ability of certain English authors of the present day not one could create a character which would win the whole English population as David Harum.



MRS. CRAIGIE.

has won the American public, the reason being that with so many class distinctions a national figure is out of the question. In her comments upon the book and upon the persons depicted in it she displays wonderful insight and sympathy. Here is Mrs. Craigie's comparative estimate of the work:

"It would be pleasant to quote the many quaint and pregnant sayings of David. One at least ought to be immortal: 'A reasonable amount of fleas is good for a dog. They keep him from brooding on being a dog.' The book, however, owes its worth less to its humor, which is excellent, than to its humanity. There lies its real strength. Other works have been equally and even more entertaining. The novels of that very distinguished artist and man of letters, Mr. W. D. Howells, belong already to the literature of both worlds and contain portraits of incomparable force. Bret Harte and Mr. Cable have drawn pictures and people which will live while romance can stir the hearts or poetry lift up the souls of men. It may not be claimed that the author of 'David Harum' takes his place beside writers of such high rank, but his book reflects a brave, independent, manly spirit, without fear, without affectation, honorable, first, grave, but not melancholy, seeing the laughter of things, yet never descending to that coarse levity which passes all too easily in these days for courage."

Rare Compliment For American Locomotives.

The verdict of the Prussian minister of railways at Berlin upon the American locomotives that were tried in Bavaria is that "notwithstanding their faultless construction they cost considerably less than locomotives of similar style of Prussian make."

A "Woe" in Boston.

We heard a woman say the other day at table, "I like this bread, it's so nice and chewy." She is a New Englander by education. Did she invent "chewy" or is the term used freely? We never heard it before, says the Boston Journal, and dialect dictionaries know it not.

England.

"Past and Present." When lofty Spain came towering up the sea this stubborn land to desert and quell, The winds of heaven were our auxiliaries And smote her that she fell. Ah, not today is nature on our side; The mountain and the deep are our foe, And nature, with her heart of man allied, Is hard to overthrow. —William Watson in Washington Post.

PRAYERS THE LITTLE CHILDREN SAY:

The prayers the little children say—
They are such a sweet melody,
But they hold deeper mystery
Than any tongue could teach,
And they reach further up to heaven
Than water prayers can reach.
The angels laugh to hear each day
The prayers the little children say.

The prayers the little children say
No telling angel brings
They pass right through the shining ray
That searches selfish things.
(They are so little that they slip
Between the guarding wings.)
And God says, "Such and give them way!"
The prayers the little children say.

The prayers the little children say—
Ah, if we knew the same!
For ours, so wise and quaint and gray,
Walk wearily and lame,
And by the time they come to God
They have forgot his name.
Would we may some time learn to pray
The prayers the little children say!
—Post Wheeler in New York Press.

TROUBLE FOR HIS HONESTY.

The Negative Reward of Virtue in the Windy City by the Lake.

"A queer thing happened to me," said Bailey, lighting a fresh cigar. "It was only one of those incidents of street travel that might happen to any one, but annoying from the misconception put upon it."
"Let's hear it," said the other fellows, making themselves comfortable.
"I was riding on the electric," said Bailey, "and in the seat opposite was a pretty girl."
"Oh, you consider yourself a judge?" remarked one of the crowd.
"I certainly do, and I let her see that I appreciated her good looks. But my admiration made no impression. The young woman busied herself in getting her fare ready, and I watched her as she deftly extracted a dime from her pocketbook and held it on the palm of a pretty hand, ready for the conductor."
"You were hit hard, Bailey."

"Then I thought me of my own fare, and as I was holding a newspaper in my hand I rose and dived down into my pocket for a nickel. The conductor came along and I handed it to him just as my vis-a-vis said:
"What has become of my 10 cents?"
"There she sat staring at her hand, which was no longer occupied by the piece of silver. We all looked for it, but it had disappeared, and she found a nickel with which she paid her fare. At that moment I slipped my hand into my overcoat pocket and found there the 10 cent piece."

"How could you identify it?" asked one of the boys.
"I never carry money in an outside pocket. Besides it had not been there a moment before. No, I knew how it happened. My paper had whisked it from her hand, and it had dropped from it to my pocket, as I explained to her."

"Was she surprised? What did she say?"
"Boys, I can't tell you all she said. Please don't ask me. She remarked that no one could judge by appearances, and she hoped it was my first beginning in a life of crime; that if I had been hardened I would not have returned it to her, but that probably I saw that she suspected me, and a lot more, while the fellows in the other seats were guffing me. But you can bet your bottom dollar I never find any woman's money and return it to her again. Not much, Mary Ann."—Chicago Times-Herald.

A Simple Deduction.

Stuper—Here's a nice letter for a man to receive! The scoundrel who wrote it calls me a blithering idiot!
Teepie—What's his name?
Stuper—That's just what I'd like to find out. But there's no signature.
"Don't you recognize the writing? It must be somebody who knows you."—Life.

Tommy Spoke.

Minister—If any one present can show cause why this couple should not become man and wife, let him speak now or forever hold his peace.
Tommy—I kin, mister. He thinks ainty's only 25, and she's 40.—Ohio State Journal.

A Bismarck Story.

In M. Georges Michel's life of the late M. Leon Say some of the economist's letters are reproduced, and among them is one addressed to his wife describing the reception by Bismarck at Versailles of the war fine of \$8,000,000 that Paris had to pay. M. Leon Say was one of the commissioners sent with the money in bank notes to hand it over to German commissioners in Bismarck's presence. The \$8,000,000 was counted on a billiard table. When this was done, a receipt was shown to M. Say and then placed in an envelope which was to be sealed. The seal failing to bite into the wax, Bismarck impatiently said to the secretary, "You do not know your business."

He snatched the seal from him, rubbed it for a short time on the hair of his head and then said, "Try now." The result was a clear impression.

In Sheldon's Steps.

F. O. Pogonoe, manager of the Topeka Daily Capital, according to a Chicago dispatch to the New York World, said the other night that his newspaper would perpetuate the Sheldon idea of journalism and would collect 1,000,000 bushels of Kansas corn and ship it to the starving inhabitants of India. He continued: "We have decided to ignore the ugly details of crime and brutal sport. We will carry all our advertising contracts till they expire, but after that we will refuse all that seem dishonest, indecent or even suggestive."

Double Murder and Arso

Calais, Me., March 28.—A terrible crime, due, it is thought, to insanity, was committed by Fred Reynolds at Red Beach, a small town about 10 miles from here, on Thursday. Mrs. Reynolds and one son were killed with an axe, another son was seriously injured, and the house burned to the ground. After completing these actions, Reynolds ran up the street, flourishing the axe. He was finally taken into custody, offering no resistance, and brought to this place for safe keeping.

Criminal Law Not Violated.

New York, March 27.—The grand jury has abandoned its investigation into the alleged wrecking of the Third Avenue Railroad company. Assistant District Attorney Unger having advised that body to discontinue the inquiry because there was nothing to show the violation of any criminal law. The expert accountants who were employed by Receiver Grant to look into the books of the company stated that they had found nothing irregular in the books.

Held For the Murder of Nelligan.

Galveston, March 26.—Captain H. M. Ward of the steamer Lawrence has been indicted for murder in the first degree for the killing of Michael Nelligan, boat-swain's mate of the gunboat Machias, on March 22, and for the assault to murder Edward Nelligan, fireman of the cruiser New York. Following a preliminary hearing Ward was admitted to bail in \$2000.

Doesn't Want the Nomination.

Worcester, Mass., March 26.—Joseph H. Walker has despatched a statement to the chairman of the Third district Republican committee refusing to accept a nomination for congress in this session. He intimates plainly that so far as the congressional contest is concerned he is done with it forever.

No Sunday Sales of Cigars.

Boston, March 26.—The law prohibiting the sale of cigars on Sunday by holders of a common victualler's license is expected to be strictly enforced in this city. There are 1400 common victualler's licenses in Boston, but the large hotels will not be affected.

Sharkey an Easy Victor.

Baltimore, March 26.—Tom Sharkey and "Stinkings" Conroy of Troy, N. Y., were to have gone 10 rounds at Music hall last night, but Sharkey put Conroy out in the third round with a stiff left punch on the jaw.

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.—John A. Andrew.

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WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY

From seal of the city of North Adams

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MAR. 31, 1900

ADVERTISERS in the Transcript are the best business men in the community. Their advertisements are worth reading and they are the firms with whom to trade most advantageously.

SILLY MACRUM

The Macrum affair is about closed. The exhibition the ex-consul made of himself at the hearing the other day was pitiful. He had no defense for his conduct. All he had to say was that he wanted home, and the story of his cables to the state department read like the wallings of a home-sick kid. "I want to come home." "Remain. Your country's interests demand it in this unsettled period." This with many variations, but no departure from the theme, makes up the correspondence Macrum conducted with the state department. The department got tired of the begging, consented to the home-sick fellow's request and sent a new man. It has been discovered since the beginning of the Macrum wallings that the man he suggested to take charge of the consulate while he returned to America, is a man without character, a person under the ban. The only thing Macrum seems to be able to substantiate is that some of his official correspondence was opened by the British censor at Durban. Yet he gave the state department no opportunity to act properly regarding this violation of national right, for not until this day has he reported the incident to his government.

The debt of sympathy from Joubert to Lady Symons has now been paid by the queen to Mrs. Joubert.

The old folk in the senate gave Beveridge a chilly reception when he was spouting Thursday. If they could only put him in cold storage.

A Corkonian has presented the Duke of York 1000 packages of shamrock seed to sow on the graves of Irish soldiers in South Africa. A "handful of earth" should go with every package.

Brookline votes "no" by 356 majority and 235 women voted. The women didn't vote on the question of license, of course, only on the choice of school committee. So there is something in favor of the men of Brookline in the way that they tell us the women would go.

"Governor" Taylor still holds to his hope, the governorship of Kentucky. He is recognized in one way, the post-office department orders the mail delivered to him and his administration when titles and not names form the addresses. That may be better than nothing.

Ever since Richard Croker came over there has been a strong attempt to carry the impression that all the democratic leaders were getting in behind Mr. Bryan. A few days ago the story was circulated that ex-President Cleveland had succumbed. But Mr. Cleveland was interviewed Thursday night at Princeton regarding the matter and said he had said nothing to anyone which would lead to that conclusion. He didn't stop talking when he said this. He went on and he said he could not be "tortured" into making the statement that he would support Bryan.

Speaker Henderson has been writing private letters on public affairs and is now suffering the penalty that is generally administered in such cases, the penalty of having the letters made public. Such letters are always free from the diplomacy exhibited in public utterances and are awkward things for their authors to meet in the newspapers. Speaker Henderson gets after the people who are so anxious for free trade with Porto Rico, the men who want to get an enormous quantity of Porto Rican products into the United States free of duty to sell in competition with the products that have paid for their entrance. He also leaves the impression that the senate is the right place for the importers to go to, get class legislation, implying that the house is the purer political body. Trouble is expected.

"What is the grandest product of the old Bay state?" chirped John L. Bates at Springfield the other night. Whisker, Johnny! Thou art the man, and Jimmy Myers comes next.—Haverhill Gazette.

It goes hard with the Gazette to

swallow that little defeat which was given it last fall.—North Adams Transcript.

We have never swallowed it, brother, and the members of the legislature now wish they had declined to take the dose. Why, Jimmy Myers got so rattled the other day that he introduced John D. Long to the house of representatives as the secretary of the treasury. All the Gazette ever said about Mr. Myers was true when the statements were made, and is true today.—Haverhill Gazette.

You have got it wrong. We agree with you in the Meyers matter and did from the first. We had in mind that little defeat in the lieutenant-governorship matter. You recollect it, don't you.

There has developed a surprising tendency to attract notoriety by abstaining from food for days and weeks. While the business is not agreeable enough to cause fear of any general resort to it, there is, nevertheless, an unusual amount of self-appointed martyrs in this line claiming attention. In some cases the motive is one of health in order that an abnormal accumulation of flesh may be removed, and possibly where the remedy of fasting is intelligently applied something may be accomplished and without danger in the direction sought; but in many instances these tests of ability to dispense with food for periods of uncommon length have too much the appearance of freak advertising to commend them to considerate attention. Even for the purposes of health it is doubtful if any such radical departure from the rule of living is worthy of encouragement. It is true that in very many instances too much of a burden is habitually imposed on the internal economy of the people, with the result that danger is invited; but the remedy would seem to be in a moderate dietary regimen in which attention should be paid to the quality and quantity of the food. No doubt the doctors would willingly accord the information to those seeking for knowledge that there is more injury caused to the race from intemperate indulgence in the pleasures of the table than in the more commonly abused practices of conviviality.—Brockton Times.

"The yellow journals have their place as well as the London Times. Mother Goose and Captain Kidd lead to Milton and Scott. 'Tis better to have read and thought than never to have thought at all. Besides, the yellow press takes the people's part; it represents them. What high class papers are quicker than they to help the masses, show them their rights and, if need be, fight for them? What papers side so surely with labor, whose only advocate up to this time has been itself? What papers get out injunctions to prevent Ramapo jobbers from pilfering the people's treasury; bring safely home kidnapped babies in special trains to agonized parents; or offer trips to the Paris exposition to the most popular rag-picker? We know that this transcends the "ethics" and "province" of journalism. Granted, but it is more good than bad.

In their best features the yellow journals have come to stay. They have the largest suffrage already in this country, and their circulation seems to be increasing. If we condemn them as pernicious, by implication we condemn the mass of the people. But the remarkable fact is that those very journals which have hitherto most bitterly attacked them are now quietly adopting many of the most successful yellow methods. Indeed the effect of their enterprise is apparent on the whole press of the country, and even the magazines are waking up."—The Independent.

The Wolf at the Door

The wolf's out there, at the door, and his fangs are keen to slay, Christ pity the starved and shivering soul that falls in the black wolf's way! As for me—do I fear him—this wolf of hunger and sin? Let the storm beat down the barriers and let mine enemy in!

Stealthily on my track through the ghostly world he steals: Only a shadow grim and black hounding a beggar's heels. A shadow in the light of day—a horror in the night! And what does the howl of the black wolf say to the soul that God made white?

"The storm and the darkness are on thee—O lost to the beauty and beam! Brooding for ever and ever o'er the ashes of a dream! Hunger wraps rags around thee; the rich are in purple state; But the dogs snarl at the beggars at the rich man's gate.

"The storm and the darkness are on thee: Be one with the storm and the night! There is never a morn that shall greet thee or crown thy seared forehead with light. Tossed on a fatherless ocean where never a shore-lamp saves. The cry of the drowning is in thine ears—with the wailing of the waves!"

So does the howl of the black wolf say to the soul that God made white: But I wrap my rags around me and dream of the dawn of light. Shall the black storm beat forever? Is there never a port to win? 'Twere a coward deed to break the bolts and let the enemy in!

For his cruel fangs would rend and slay... Whatever my soul may be it is deeper than the darkness—it is stronger than the sea.

Is it bowed by the strength of the hills, does it shrink beneath the scourging rod— This spark of dead, forgotten worlds—this memory of God? Oh, out of the storm comes peace, and out of the darkness, light;

The ships sail sure to the haven—as sure as the gulls in flight. The captains sight the shore-line and over the ocean-kneels They hear in the hopeless night of fear the melody of the bells.

There is love, there is light, there is joy where the tempest-flags are furled: God hears in the night of ages the breathing of the world. In the hollow of His hand the strength of the stars shall be, And His spirit shall stifle and still the rage of the overwhelming sea.

There is love, there is light in the world; and the wolf with his eyes of flame Is beaten back in the storm and night, and the silence whispers a name. And the beautiful name is love; and he leads me to the light Where the hills are glad of the morning and there shall be no more night.

—Frank L. Stanton in Collier's Weekly.

SEEN AND HEARD.

April Fool has come at last; I'll have you fooled ere it is passed. If you should think it can't be done, You'll be two fools instead of one.

Or, in other words, don't fool yourself. The old rhyme of childhood days conveys the highly moral lesson that a man is never so foolish in the eyes of the world as when he overestimates his own ability never to be "caught napping." And remember that tomorrow, even if it is Sunday, the most innocent of faces on 10-years-old youngsters may conceal the most mischievous of scheming brains. Children are very artful on All Fool's day.

Don't come down street to buy anything Monday night from force of habit. Remember that the Monday night emancipation proclamation has gone into effect, and that the clerks as well as yourself will be enjoying themselves after 6 p. m. The clerks' association has certainly done all in its power to be sure that the matter is perfectly understood, and there is hardly a possible excuse for any who inconvenience themselves by forgetting the change. The clerks deserve congratulation on the way in which they have handled the matter and for the success of their efforts while the merchants are equally to be congratulated for their co-operation. There never was very much excuse for keeping stores open so many evenings since the country days when the store was the only club room. For actual trading purposes six days and two evenings are ample, and the whole city will be better off for the added night of rest.

It is not at all improbable that some of the social organizations may change their meeting nights to Monday, to relieve the present crowded condition of Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and it is certain that Monday may hereafter be classed as one of the successful "show nights" of the week.

Church suppers have always been classed as "safe risks" in the entertainment line and as good money raisers in North Adams but the men's suppers of this season seem to be breaking the record for popularity.

Rev. C. M. Sheldon's experiment at editing a paper as Jesus would do was of especial interest to a number in this city who are personally acquainted with the unfortunate minister. But the sudden fall of popular interest was shown in the demand for Mr. Sheldon's paper here. Before its first issue, many were anxiously making plans to secure it, but after the first number or two, the demand fell off and the new dealers who had it were "stuck." For according to Mr. Sheldon's interpretation of divine wisdom, one of the things that Jesus would not do was to accept the return of unsold copies.

Speaking of Sheldon, the Seen and Heard man was interested in the sermon on the famous experiment preached by Rev. W. L. Tenney last Sunday. Mr. Tenney defended the integrity of Mr. Sheldon's purpose, and got in a very clever uppercut at the newspapers which have been mocking at the experiment, like an untoward generation. He said that while from Mr. Sheldon we might not have got a perfect idea of what Jesus would say in a newspaper, from these press comments we had at least gotten an idea of what the Other Fellow would say. Some of the comments on Mr. Sheldon have been rather scoldingly vindictive, that is a fact.

Pittsfield is reported to be torn with anguish over the possibility that when the Boston and Albany has been absorbed by the New York Central, Pittsfield will be a mere station, at which only accommodation and the less important expresses will stop. It is a sickening thought for the county seat. But here arises an opportunity for true fraternal assistance from North Adams. Be of good cheer, neighbors. When this shall happen, North Adams will bring your visitors to this city via the Boston and Maine and ship them to you over the local branch.

Now we know that we shall have the new theater for which we have long sighed, and have it speedily. The builder has been decided upon and is under contract to have the new Richmond theater open for business with the beginning of next season. It will not be so very long before "reserved seats" will go on sale tomorrow morning, etc.

Speaking of theaters, the Seen and Heard man is reminded to enter public protest on behalf of the ushers of the local theaters, which was requested some time ago. It is a common failing of theater goers to hold the usher responsible for undesirable seats, for inconvenience caused by late comers, and for all sorts of things that disturb the equanimity of those who attend plays. Which is very wrong. The usher did not build the theater, did not select your seats, did not make the late comer late, and is not the official representative of the play which turns out not to be up to expectations. All that he is expected to do is to show you to your seats, secure a program if the boy at the door skipped you, and ask the woman in front to remove her hat. Fortunately there is little need for the latter in North Adams.

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November 19, 1899.

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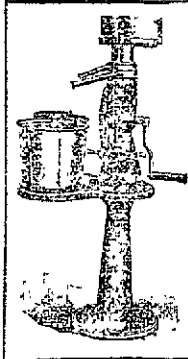
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A complete traveler's guide, with railroad, street railway and postoffice timetables will be found on page 6.

News items of interest are gladly received by The Transcript, and should be left at the office as early in the day as possible.

Communications on live topics are solicited by The Transcript. They must in every case be accompanied by the names of the writers (not necessarily for publication if good reason for withholding them is shown) and must be brief to insure publication.

Notices of meeting and events intended for the "Tonight's Events" department must be left at the office by 10 o'clock in the morning to insure insertion.

The Transcript's telephone number for counting room and news departments is 230.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

1793—Francis Joseph Haydn, famous musical composer, born; died 1809.
1814—The allies entered Paris.
1827—Beethoven died; born 1770.
1850—John Caldwell Calhoun, American statesman, died in Washington; born in the Abbeville (S. C.) district.
1782—Calhoun was a distinguished leader of the old south when the south ruled the nation. He advocated slavery as a political and social blessing.
1856—Charlotte Brontë (Mrs. Nichols), the novelist, died; born 1816.
1887—John Godfrey Saxe, humorous poet, died in Albany; born 1816.
1890—Admiral Stephen Clegg Rowan, U. S. N., died in Washington; born in Ireland 1808.
1890—General MacArthur's column entered Malolos upon its evacuation by the insurgent forces.

CHURCH SERVICES TOMORROW

BAPTIST—The pastor, Rev. J. H. Spencer, will preach in the morning on "Manna," and in the evening will give the third of his series of sermons on Joseph, the subject being "From prison to prime minister."

UNIVERSALIST—The pastor, Rev. A. E. Wright, will preach the fifth of his Lenten sermons on the Lord's prayer in the morning, the subject being "Give us this day our daily bread." In the evening he will preach on the question "Why unite with the church?"

METHODIST—Rev. E. C. Farwell of Williamstown, will preach in the morning in exchange with the pastor. In the evening the pastor will preach on the subject, "The charm of a beautiful eventful life."

CONGREGATIONAL—The pastor, Rev. W. L. Tenney, will preach in the morning on "The authority of the preacher." In the evening Dudley Buck's Lenten cantata, "The story of the cross," will be given under the direction of Conductor Hadfield at the close of Rev. Mr. Tenney's fourth Lenten lecture, "Mohammedanism, the militant religion of Arabia."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE—The subject for tomorrow's service will be "Are sin, disease and death real?"

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL—The regular Sunday service will be held, conducted by the rector, Rev. J. C. Tebbets.

Y. M. C. A.—The usual men's meeting will be held at 4 o'clock and it is expected that a Williams professor will lead it.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—The rehearsal of the City band has been postponed from Monday till Tuesday evening on account of the rehearsal for "Said Pasha."

—The recent concert and oratorio by the St. Cecilia choral society of Notre Dame church was a pronounced success financially, about \$300 being realized.

—F. J. Boynton, traveling auditor of the New England Telephone company, is in the city for a few days looking over the accounts of the exchanges here and at Adams.

—Truman E. Smith, a "converted drunkard" of Williamstown, a temperance town, will relate his experiences at a temperance meeting in Salvation Army hall this evening.

—A ruling was handed down by the supreme court of this state Wednesday to the effect that a common victualer's license does not allow the holder to sell cigars on Sunday.

—As a result of the various celebrations in Pittsfield over the retention of the Stanley works eight drunks were before the court there yesterday, and three were given jail sentences.

—A Pittsfield man has ridden 2000 miles about the streets of that city on his bicycle this winter, and has covered 1000 miles since January 1. He has been on his wheel nearly every day of the winter.

—The regular meeting of Mount Hope lodge, Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W., will be held Monday evening. The entertainment for the evening will consist of a spelling match, between the members of the lodge. Prizes will be given.

—The degree of Pequotas, an auxiliary to the order of Red Men, will be instituted next Friday evening by grand officers from Boston. A preliminary meeting was held last evening, and the charter list will contain about 35 names.

—The Albany, N. Y., police Wednesday night arrested two girls of tender ages who had been brought to that city from out of town and were stopping at the home of a woman there. They gave the names of Esther White 16, and Grace Martin, 16. At first the girls said they were from this city but later they admitted that they lived in Valatie, where their parents live now.

—The board of health rule requiring all milk dealers to use coupon tickets goes into effect tomorrow. Already most of the dealers have begun their use, and there have been very few objections raised. Customers for the most part are pleased with the change. One enterprising insurance agent, as soon as the board's decision was announced, had printed several thousand coupon tickets bearing his advertisements with the words "quart" or "pint" and with room for the printing of a milk dealer's name with a rubber stamp. These were distributed among the milkmen, and a number of them are using these combination tickets and advertisements.

CLEVELAND'S

Superior Baking Powder

is always uniform in strength and quality. The last spoonful in the can is as good as the first. The cheaply made powders work unevenly. If when fresh they raise the biscuit or cake, before the can is empty they make sour, soapy-tasted, heavy food, and the flour, eggs and butter used are wasted. This is because they are made from inferior ingredients.

Cleveland's is a pure cream of tartar baking powder and makes the food more healthful.

CLEVELAND BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK

The cheap baking powders are made from alum. They put into the food a poisonous compound which can only be eaten at the expense of health.

—There were seven deaths in the city this week.

Arthur Bourgeois is visiting friends in Adams this week.

—Dalton hopes to get Marsh of Adams to pitch this season.

—A meeting of the teamsters union will be held Sunday afternoon at 3.30.

E. J. Shaw, formerly principal of the Bliss business college and now of Detroit, is visiting friends in town.

—Tomorrow will be Passion Sunday and will be observed in the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches.

—The Epworth league of the Methodist church will have charge of the Rescue Mission meeting tomorrow.

—A benefit basket ball game for Broderick of this city will be played in Shelburne Falls tonight. Broderick coached the team there.

—The self-denial week of the Salvation Army will close tomorrow, and offerings will be received at the services at 7, 11, 3 and 8 o'clock. The officers in charge hope to secure \$125 in all. Last Sunday a collection was taken at the Universalist church for the work.

The first recorded baseball game of the season was played this morning, and it is announced by the victorious "Swamp Angels of last year that they defeated the "Dirty Shirts" of Ashland street by the score of 4 to 2. The batteries were Griffin and Berkowitz, and Rand and Sullivan.

—There is much interest in the mass meeting announced yesterday to be held in Foresters' hall Monday evening, and to be addressed by James Woods of Cincinnati, second vice-president of the cigarmakers' international union. Mr. Woods is an interesting speaker, and his address will undoubtedly call out a large attendance.

Pownal and Williamstown Deal

Fred Potter of Williamstown has bought the J. W. Wright property in Pownal, including the Wright farm, for \$5000. The place is leased to A. E. Towsley, who will vacate.

Gaining Weight After Fast

Dr. Pfeiffer, who is still in Boston, writes to a friend in this city that since he broke his 21 days' fast he has gained 14 pounds in weight, and is feeling in excellent physical condition. The breaking of his fast was not attended with any trouble in digestion, and in a short time he expects to be able to begin a longer fast.

HELD A CONFERENCE

Blackinton Annexation Opponents Invite Williamstown Committee Today

A meeting on the question of Blackinton annexation was held in Blackinton this afternoon, at which the committee appointed at the recent Williamstown town meeting was present. The conference was unexcited and was arranged by the opponents of annexation in Blackinton, without the knowledge of any others except the Williamstown committee. The fact of the meeting did not become known until late this forenoon, and it was set for 3.30 o'clock.

Those who favor annexation were much surprised, as they had supposed that the question was settled, so far as the people of Blackinton were concerned, and that all that remained to be done was to decide on terms between Williamstown and North Adams.

AMONG THE MILLINERY NOVELTIES SHOWN AT MISS MCKEE'S PARLORS,

Are the Lucy Girard hat, which is a pastel pink straw, the brim drooping over the face, the crown lifted from the brim by a chic black velvet bow. Drooping over the brim is a cream ribbon lace scarf, fastened at the back by the latest artistic black ornament. Within a few days Miss McKee will show some novel effects in the shirtwaist hat, which will be a very stylish hat this season.

SKIPPED OUT OF COURT ROOM

Youngsters Gave Officer a Lively Chase Before Case Could be Heard

David Meiklejohn, a nine years old youngster who has caused the truant officer much worry during his short career, was this morning placed in charge of the state agent, and will be taken away. This was not till after a final break for freedom that amused the court room audience this morning.

David was summoned into court on the charge of being a neglected child, and was taken there by his mother, who is unable to care for him properly. David sat quietly in the spectators' seats, until, when attention was turned to other cases, he quietly rose and slipped out of the court room.

His absence was discovered by Truant Officer Whipple, who was on hand to testify in the case if called upon, and he took a lively sprint after the youngster. He finally caught up with the lad on Center street, David started to put up a fight, but soon saw that he was out of his class, and was brought back to the court room. Court had by this time adjourned, but a special session was held in the judge's room to attend to his case. As David entered the room in charge of Truant Officer Whipple, he panted out "Gosh, did you see me give Whipple the slip?" and was apparently much pleased with his adventure.

One other neglected child, Agnes O'Connor, was continued in charge of Chief Dimmer.

NO SUNDAY GOLF THIS YEAR

Club so Decide, Professional Instructor to Come Here Soon

Golf club activity is growing with the approach of the playing season, not much having been done on the links during the winter. It is probable that on Monday the first games of the season will be played. There will be no playing tomorrow, or on any Sunday through the coming season, the club have decided against any Sunday playing, without regard to the custom in other clubs.

A professional golf instructor is to be secured this year, and is expected to be here within a short time. No selection has yet been made of an instructor, but one will be recommended by Wright and Ditson. On his arrival the links will be relayed and cleaned up. No particular changes are expected to be made in the links, except in connection with the building of the club house, the first or ninth hole may be changed to the site of the house.

Just at present most of the attention of the club is devoted to the coming ball, and active preparations are being made to make of it one of the leading events of the season.

FREE TRADE WITH PORTO RICO

Only Proper Course For United States Says E. A. Wright

There was a fair sized audience in the Congregational chapel for the talk by E. A. Wright, formerly of this city, on Porto Rico. Mr. Wright has made an exhaustive study of conditions in the island, and his talk was of unusual interest. He spoke of the characteristics and products of the island, and gave a short history of our trade with it.

Referring to the question of free trade or tariff in our trade in the future, he said emphatically that the United States could not in honor do anything except establish free trade. He gave facts to show that even with free trade the amount of tobacco and sugar imported was not enough to affect seriously our own industries in those lines.

Mr. Wright spoke of what the United States is now doing for the island, and of its future. He was followed by Mahlon Perkins, who gave a most entertaining account of his recent trip through Porto Rico, gain at times.

UNLICENSED ENGINEER FINED

First Case of Kind Brought in this City by State Inspector

John V. Hiser, who has been running an engine for W. H. Lally and company, was in court this morning charged with violating the state law by running a boiler and engine without a license. Prosecution was brought by State Inspector McNeil, and Hiser pleaded guilty. He was fined \$10, which was paid.

This is the first case of the kind that has been brought in this city by the inspector, and will probably result in closer attention on the part of employers to the matter of licenses for engineers. The laws are very strict on this point, and examinations for licenses are held every week at the office of the inspector in the Kimball block, so that there is no excuse, after the preliminary warnings have been given him, for infractions of the law.

Yesterday 15 applicants for licenses from this and Hampshire county were examined at the office of the inspector.

OLDEST POWNAL RESIDENT

Died Few Hours After Birth of Great Grand Daughter

Daniel Myers, the oldest resident of the town of Pownal, died yesterday at the home of his son-in-law, George Montgomery. Mr. Myers was 96 years old, and for so old a man had been remarkably active. His death was very sudden, and caused regret throughout the entire village. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

A peculiar fact in connection with the sudden death was that there was a birth in the same house only a few hours before. This was a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. George Montgomery, jr., being a great grand daughter of Mr. Myers, whose death followed the birth by only a few hours.

Three Gold Police Badges

With the presentation to Captain Jones of the gold badge, reported yesterday, the three head officers of the police force, Chief Dinneen and Captains Parrow and Jones, are each provided with very similar gold badges of office. Chief Dinneen was presented with his by the members of the bar and friends when he assumed office, and Captain Parrow was presented with one of a pattern like the other two four years ago by his friends, at the time that he was promoted. All the badges are very handsome, and are pleasing tokens of the pleasure of their friends in their promotions.

BLACKINTON

There was a very pleasant surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Davis last evening in honor of their youngest son, William. About 20 young couples were present and all enjoyed themselves greatly with games and songs. Mrs. Davis served an elaborate collation. The young people dispersed at a late hour, all vowing "Will" a jolly good fellow and a royal entertainer.

The Williams baseball team had their first outdoor practice on the Blackinton grounds Friday afternoon.

The meeting to try and organize a lodge of the Sons of Temperance held here Thursday evening was not as largely attended as it should be and was postponed without anything definite being done.

It looks as though Blackinton and Williams will not meet this year, as the first game scheduled is a Wednesday date and the guarantee offered by Williams is too small for the Blackinton team to accept, as \$15 would not pay expenses.

OLD-FASHIONED CAMP FIRE

Sanford Post's Celebration of the Anniversary of Lee's Surrender

C. D. Sanford post at its regular meeting last night voted to hold an old-fashioned campfire Monday evening, April 9, the 35th anniversary of Lee's surrender to Grant. The associate members are invited, also all old soldiers in the city, whether they are members of the post or not. Besides these Sayles post of Adams and Hopkins post of Williamstown are invited, with their associate members. Special cars will be run from those towns, and there is little doubt that the hall will be filled.

A good spread will be provided and the company will go to the tables at 8.30 o'clock. The program will open immediately after supper, and will consist of speeches, singing, etc. A few veterans who were present at Lee's surrender will be on hand, and at least one of them will speak on the memorable event.

The post has planned for a thoroughly enjoyable evening and hopes the invitation will be accepted by a large number of its members and friends.

OBITUARY.

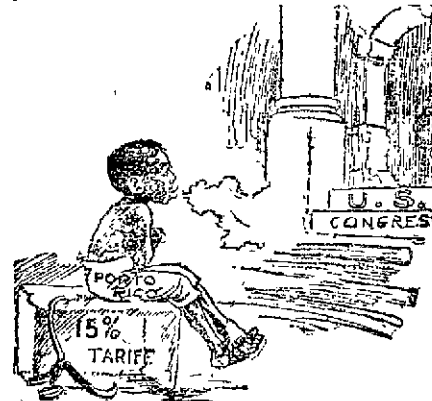
Mrs. Catherine Ellis

Word was received here last evening of the death on Troy the night before of Mrs. Catherine Ellis, wife of William Ellis, and mother of Mrs. Fred E. Ward of this city. Mrs. Ellis was known to some of the older residents of the city. Mr. Ellis having been the contractor who built the Baptist church in this city. She was 53 years old, and had lived in Troy for about 40 years. She leaves three sons and four daughters. Mr. Ellis is very ill, and not expected to live.

Bank Dividend Declared

The directors of the North Adams savings bank held their regular meeting in the bank yesterday afternoon, and declared the usual semi-annual dividend of two per cent.

Congress is Wrestling with the Porto Rico Problem



And we think they will wisely decide as to what is best for the whole country. Leave the matter to congress and turn your thoughts gently towards the more serious matter of a spring outfit for your self and family.

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When you need medicine, you want the best quality and that is the only kind we keep. We are particular in selecting and buying our drugs, careful in making our medicine and exact in compounding prescriptions. We solicit your trade on these assurances.

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	Our Regular Price	Price
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Ayer's Hair Vigor	75	1.00
Syrup Hypophosphites	65c	1.25
Kidney Sarsaparilla	49c	1.00
Scott's Emulsion	40	50c
Kilmer's Swamp Root	40c	50c
Kilmer's Food	55	75c
Malted Milk	35c	50c
Malted Milk	75c	1.00
Laxative Tablets	35c	50c
Laxative Bromo Quin.	15c	25c
Libbig's Extract Beef	40c	50c
Carter's Pills	12c	25c

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Have been out in force all this week. From the compliments we have received on our tailored garments and the number we have sold there is no doubt that our new line of garments surpass for style, fit and perfection any we have ever shown.

50 black, all-wool serge skirts \$3.98—as good as you have seen for \$5.50.

Black cheviot skirts, percaline lined, \$4.50—just as good as a \$6 skirt.

All-wool plaid skirts, were \$5, another special for Saturday, \$3.98.

Our \$5 suits are the best ever shown for any such money.

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About 50 new styled silk waists came this week, \$4.98 and up.

A \$1.50 kid glove for 75c Saturday.

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TO RENT—Old postoffice on Bank street to rent, for auction purposes. Inquire Clarence W. Gallup, North Adams Savings Bank building. 126017t

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TO RENT—Two tenements on Veazie street. Rent \$11.50 a month. Apply 12 Bank street. 12331t

TO RENT—Tenement 351 Houghton street. Inquire A. W. Hunter, Bank street. 12121t

TO RENT—Tenement 23 Hall street. Inquire at W. R. Clark & Son, 159 Brooklyn street. 12621t

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FOR SALE—Cream separator for sale by A. J. Cooke, Clarksburg, Mass. 126213t

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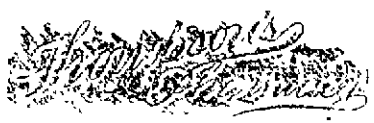
WANTED—Cream customers wanted. Inquire C. W. Pettit, Box 25, Clarksburg, Mass. 126213t

WANTED—Man with small capital and team to take orders for and deliver light groceries with premiums from house to house in North Adams and vicinity. An excellent opportunity for a steady and profitable business. Address O. C. Adams, 329 High street, Holyoke, Mass. 126216

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ADAMS

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MUSIC WITHOUT POLITICS.

Editor of the Transcript:

A great many stories having been circulated to the effect that owing to political differences and through pressure having been brought upon me, I had discharged my second violin player, L. A. Dean, and as the same are being undoubtedly made use of to the detriment of myself and orchestra, I should esteem it a favor if you would through the medium of your valued paper allow me to give the true facts of the case.

The facts are these. Mr. Dean having been informed that his actions in openly working for the cause of one of the candidates for office at the coming election here would result in the orchestra losing considerable work, came to me last Wednesday evening and asked me if I had heard any comments on his actions and I told him I had. He then said that sooner than embarrass me or the orchestra he would resign his position as a member of the organization to take effect that evening and the same was accepted. I had no conversation with Mr. Dean on the subject before his resignation and then simply stated that I was sorry that matters had turned out so, but that I considered it an unwise thing for anyone who was a member of any organization that was catering to all classes to work either one way or the other in a public way for any political party. Any other statement than this is utterly false. Mr. Dean's resignation was given without any pressure upon my part, as I am not in politics and do not intend to be.

Another statement has also been made that I have advised certain of my men that unless they ceased working for one of the candidates or should the man they were working for be elected, an engagement I have for furnishing music for a large ball, and for which I have made all arrangements, would be cancelled. This is also as false as it is ridiculous. The committee of gentlemen who engaged for the occasion referred to have never in any way mentioned the subject and the only communication I have had with them since the engagement was given me, has been with reference to the music to be played.

Trusting that you will favor me by inserting this letter in your columns, so that those who have heard these false and malicious stories may learn the true inwardness of things, I remain Yours respectfully,

THOMAS PALMER.

Adams, March 30, 1900.

WHAT TO DO MONDAY.

The annual town election will be Monday. The polls will open at 8 o'clock and close at sunset. The office of selectman commands the greatest attention. There is one thing for the voters to remember. A man who serves his country faithfully and does his duty well on the battlefield is capable and worthy of being trusted to do the same for his town in any of its offices. A man who makes a botch of a job once is likely to do it again.

Mr. Karner says his hobby is "good roads." If his hobby was in giving "detail" in connection with "good roads" it would be a better platform. The town report for the year ending 1899 is a monument to his good work on the "good roads." In the reports of the highways, sewers, bridges, sidewalks and crosswalks, the ever and omnipresent "E. R. Karner pay roll" presents itself. The pages are full of the phrase. Mr. Karner used the money in paying the help on the roads, that is what is supposed. Who are the individuals he paid it to or how much did the individuals receive. Mr. Tucker who this year's report tells who and what each employee received. Superintendent Karner evidently believed in brevity.

William O'Brien has no hobbies except to do his duty as he sees it and to the best of his ability in all things. He has never given free lectures on "good roads," but he might if he read the L. A. W. bulletin or some other similar publication. Voters should make no mistake. Vote for Mr. O'Brien and get your friends to do the same. Don't stay away and leave the election to others. Go to the polls Monday and show your appreciation for the member of Company M and the second regiment. Let him enter the office of selectman with the largest majority ever given a similar candidate.

CHURCH NOTES.

UNIVERSALIST—The pastor's subject for Sunday morning will be "Modern Greece." In the evening he will speak on "Buddha and his teachings."

METHODIST—The pastor will preach Sunday morning on "The spectrum of love." Regular services will be held in the Epworth league will be held Sunday evening. The subject will be "Always ready." Mrs. Jennie Place will lead. A ham and egg supper will be served Wednesday evening.

BAPTIST—There will be regular services Sunday morning and evening. Sunday evening the regular meeting of the Young People's union will be held. The subject will be "Always ready." Mrs. Edward Mason will lead. The regular church supper will be served next Tuesday evening.

BLANDER CASE SETTLED.

About a week ago George Mausert

brought action against President Waggenacht of the Turn Verein Vorwartz club for slander. Some time ago the club held a dance in Koehler's Turn hall on Summer street and sold checks for beer. The police raided the place, arrested Mr. Waggenacht and he was fined \$100 for illegal liquor selling. Since then Mr. Mausert claims Mr. Waggenacht has been hurting the former's business by circulating stories that he, Mr. Mausert, ordered the raid. The case was to have been tried this morning but did not come up, as Mr. Waggenacht settled.

TO HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES.

The Knights of Columbus have arranged for a memorial service to be held in their hall Tuesday evening in memory of their late deputy grand knight, Frank E. McNulty. Tuesday morning a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of Mr. McNulty's soul. The memorial service in the evening will be held according to the council's ritual and Thomas F. Cassidy will deliver the eulogy. The members of the council, the friends of the deceased and a few invited friends will be present.

"THE LITTLE MINISTER."

"The little minister" is a comedy by J. M. Barrie, and is founded on Mr. Barrie's novel of the same name. Its record consists of a run of 300 nights in New York city, to at that time the greatest business ever done by an American play. The theatre was crowded to the doors at every performance. Not once did the curtain go up on a performance that every last inch of standing room in the house was not filled. The comedy has had a like phenomenal acceptance wherever seen. Don't miss it at the opera house this evening.

MASQUERADE A SUCCESS.

The masquerade social and dance held by the Old Fellows in their hall Friday evening was attended by about 150 people. Fully 50 couples were masked. The costumes were very good and the social proved very successful. Dancing began at 8:30 and was kept up until after midnight. Refreshments were served and a delightful time was spent.

MISS CARR DEFAULTED.

In court this morning the continued case against Mary Carr and William Broderick for fornication was tried. Both parties were let go on bail Friday and Miss Carr defaulted. Mr. Broderick was discharged for want of proof against him.

The annual meeting of the F. M. T. A. society will be held Sunday afternoon.

There will be a meeting of the Franco-American club at 12:30 Sunday afternoon in St. Jean Baptiste hall.

Michael Soon, the bootblack, has located on Park street and is again at his boot blacking business.

McGuagh and Menard opened their store in Howarth's block on Park street today.

Willis Anthony is home from the normal art school in Boston for the Easter vacation.

The N. E. O. P. paid March 17 to Archibald Sands \$1000, the amount due on the life of his late son, Archibald, Jr., who was a member of the society. The following letters are advertised at the local postoffice: John McCormack, James Kearney, F. Hallett, Frank Gardner, Margaret Daly and Alexander Oullette.

The regular monthly meeting of the Alert Hose company will be held Tuesday evening.

FOR SALE.

Twenty new milch cows. Inquire of James Barrett, Renfrew, Adams.

FOUND.

A valuable pipe. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. Inquire at F. E. Mole's drug store.

EASTER LILIES IN POTS.

Speak for them now if you want them. Will also have Roses, Carnations, Violets, Tulips, Daffodils, Flowering Plants, etc. You will make no mistake in ordering your flowers early for Easter. T. D. BROWN, Telephone 17-12. West street.

Imported S. L. Wyandottes, 239 egg strain. Houdans and R. C. W. Leghorns. Stock and eggs for sale. For utility and beauty they can't be beat. I. W. FORREST, Adams.

LOST.

Monday evening between F. E. Mole's drug store on Center street and Boorn and Moran's store on Elm street, a fancy embroidered tidy. Finder will please return to Miss Nellie O'Brien of Willow street, Adams, Mass.

FOR SALE.

House and lot south end Enterprise street, 68 rods land, 20 fruit trees, two grape vines. House two stories, slated roof, eight rooms, one or two families. Hen house and barn. F. W. STACK, Dean street, Adams.

EASTER FLOWERS.

What is there nicer, sweeter and more appropriate than a flower "the emblem of purity," for an Easter offering. Those who wish to secure flowers for Easter will do well to place their orders early with A. J. BOOTHMAN, Florist, 24 North Summer street, Adams. Orders by mail will receive my personal attention.

Parsons Pills

Doctors recommend them for Biliousness, Sick Headache, Constipation, all Liver and Bowel Complaints. They cleanse the blood of all impurities. Mild in their action. Of great benefit to delicate women. One pill is a dose. Thirty pills in a bottle enclosed in wood—25 cents; six bottles, \$1.00. Sold everywhere or sent post-paid. I. S. OHNSON & COMPANY, Boston, Mass.

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Saturday Evening

March 31.

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The Little Minister

BY J. M. BARRIE

Founded on his novel of the same name PRESENTED FOR

300 Nights in New York

Prices, 35, 50c, 75c, and \$1.

Notice to Sleigh Owners.

I will store your sleighs during the coming season at the following prices: Cutters \$1, light business sleighs \$2. Any sleighs left for painting or varnishing will be

Stored Free of Charge

Room for 50 sleighs

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Carriage and sign painter. Near Holden's Lumber Yard, HI A

New Columbia Theatre

NORTH ADAMS.

Tuesday, April 3

Daniel Frohman presents with the Romantic Actor, Mr. Howard Gould. The New York Lyceum Theater success

A Colonial Girl

Prices 50c, 75c and \$1. Cars to Adams and Williamstown after performance. Seats at Hastings Saturday.

TRY GRAIN-O! TRY GRAIN-O!

Ask your Grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. 1/4 the price of coffee. 15c. and 25 cts. per package. Sold by all grocers.

A Card

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50 cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded. Wilson House Drug store, Seve-nice & Co., Williamstown, A. E. Hall, Williamstown, Galvin & Co., Greylock, Brown & O'Connor, Braytonville, C. J. Whitney, Briggsville, M. L. Whitney, Stamford, Vt., Elias Mason, Hartwellville, Vt., C. A. Stroud, North Adams, William Orr, Jr.

SCRAPS OF SCIENCE.

Water boils and vaporizes at 212 degrees F. above zero, while liquid air boils and vaporizes at 312 degrees below zero. It is estimated that in the streets of an average city there are about 3,000 bacteria to the cubic yard of air and in a hospital ward or where there is sickness as many as 80,000.

It has been observed that artesian wells have a daily period of ebb and flow as well as the ocean tides, only the process is reversed. The time of greatest flow of an artesian well is the period of low tide in the ocean.

An Unobliging Brother.

In writing to us to protest against the readiness with which criminals are pronounced by public opinion to be mentally deficient, "B. A." tells the following extraordinary story:

"Personally," he says, "I am acquainted with a case in which two sisters—the united annual income of whose husbands is not less than \$1,000—have for years been trying to persuade a brother incapacitated by ill health from work to commit suicide, in order that they may be absolved from a yearly contribution of \$50 toward his maintenance. At first I absolutely refused to believe that such heartless selfishness actually existed, until I was shown letters from one of the ladies in question, which left no further doubt in my mind.

"Yet," he adds, "if these sisters were to put an end to their brother's existence, there would be hundreds to contend that the motive of pecuniary benefit was totally inadequate to account for such a crime, which must consequently be attributed to mental aberration."—London Chronicle.

Why They Fled.

"And did Flint hold the burglars at bay without weapons?" "Yes, but he had a strong defense."

"How's that?"

"He was armed with a big supply of boarding house butter."—Yonkers Herald.

Scent Was Strong.

Mrs. Van Dyke (as Van Dyke appears at 3 a. m.)—Where have you been?

Van Dyke—Where?

Mrs. Van Dyke—Now, be careful what you say, William. Don't think you can throw me off the scent.—Boston Herald.

SEEK FREE DOCTORS.

Some Queer Experiences in the Public Dispensaries of New York.

The least hope of any change in this charity to all policy is with those dispensaries that are bountifully endowed. The leading institution of this class in New York city is located on the west side, and, in view of its defiant abuse of all kinds of medical charity, has earned for itself the unenviable soubriquet of the "diamond dispensary." It has such a high reputation for the number and pecuniary ability of its patients that it would appear to be rather a credit than a disgrace to receive its outrageously misdirected charity. Such at least is the inevitable conclusion that may be based upon the large average of well to do people who claim daily the benefits of free medical treatment so lavishly and indiscriminately furnished to all who apply. Many of these visitors are from out of town districts and will pay several dollars for car fare, will ask for a written diagnosis of their disease and an extra prescription, and will then complain if they are kept waiting beyond the time for their return train. The examining doctor is content to ride to the dispensary in a horse car; the patient comes and returns in a cab. It is no longer a joke to refer to the display of diamonds or the number of women clad in sealskins in the patients' waiting room, nor does it appear to be unlikely that, in the near future, conveniences will not be required for checking bicycles and distributing carriage numbers in the order of the different arrivals. In this connection, the following description by an eyewitness in the waiting room of this dispensary may be interesting:

"The reception room held about 800 at a time. Nobody was turned away. Fully 50 per cent of the applicants were well dressed, and 10 per cent of them were finely dressed. Three women wore fur coats that had not been handed down from somebody else. There was an attractive display of fine millinery, and the men, more than half of them, bore no evidences of poverty. But all obtained free treatment supposed to be given to paupers—'poor persons.'"

Such instances as the following carry with them their own moral:

"During the examination of a dispensary patient a roll of bills dropped from her pocket. The doctor picked it up and remarked, 'Madam, this is a free dispensary, and as you are able to pay a fee for medical advice I must decline to treat you here.' 'Well,' replied the woman, 'that money is for something else. You are paid by the city and must prescribe for me.' On being assured that the doctor received no salary from any source, the patient became indignant and protested that she was entitled to attention equally with the 'lady' who had preceded her and from whom she had rented a house the week before."—Dr. George F. Shrady in Forum.

How They Wash.

The hardest worked washerwomen in the world are the Koreans. They have to wash about a dozen dresses for their husbands, and inasmuch as every man wears pantaloons or drawers so baggy that they come up to his neck like those of a clown they have plenty to do. The washing is usually done in cold water and often in running streams. The clothes are pounded with paddles until they shine like a shirt front fresh from a Chinese laundry.

The Japanese rip their garments apart for every washing, and they iron their clothes by spreading them on a flat board and leaning this up against the house to dry. The sun takes the wrinkles out of the clothes, and some of them have quite a luster. The Japanese woman does her washing out of doors. Her wash tub is not more than six inches high and is about as big around as the average dishpan. She gets the dirt out of the clothes by rubbing them between her hands. She sometimes uses Japanese soap, which is full of grease, and works away with her bare feet. The Chinese girls do their washing in much the same way.

The washing in Egypt is usually done by the men. The Egyptian washerman stands naked on the banks of the Nile and slaps the wet clothes, with a noise like the shot of a pistol, on the smooth stones at the edge of the running water, and such fellow women as wash pound the dirt out of their clothes in the same way.

Frenchwomen pound the dirt out with paddles, often slamming the clothes upon stones, as the Egyptians do.

TONIGHT AND TOMORROW NIGHT

And each day and night during this week you can get at any drugstore Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for Croup, Bronchitis, Asthma, Consumption. Get a bottle today and keep it always in the house, no matter how cold it is. You can check your cold at once. Price 25c and 50c. Sample bottle free.

An Indian as an Author.

"Lo, the poor Indian," has burst into literature. For the edification of Holland's young queen, Chief Pokagon's posthumous romance, "The Queen of the Woods," has been printed in an edition de luxe and will be presented by special messenger to her majesty. The messenger will be Peter Van Schaner, and he goes as representative of the Holland society of Chicago, says the New York World. The author was the last chief of the Pottawatomes. The book traces the rise and fall of the tribe, who were the original Chicagoans. Chief Pokagon died last year before the book was completed. Another hand finished it from material left by the chief.

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Miss Maybelle McGarity, who resides with her uncle on Marble Street, Stoneham, Mass., is a firm believer in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. She says:

"I was white and lifeless. My blood was poor and watery, and I suffered greatly with headaches and lassitude. The pain in the top of the head was very severe, and I felt worn out all the time. It seemed sometimes as if I could not get up in the morning. I had an entire loss of appetite and some indication of what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and took three boxes in all. Before the first one was used up I noticed a decided improvement, and now, as you see, I am in good health, and have had no symptoms of a return of the trouble."

MAYBELLE MCGARITY. Signed and acknowledged before me. HENRY L. FAIRBANKS, Justice of Peace.

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Standard Oil

Believing that the next two or three months will see a higher range of values, both in Wall and State streets, we call your attention in this week's market letter to the success of the Standard Oil Co. and its present relations to copper mining. We also have something to say on Norfolk & Western and Union Pacific, as we think these stocks will be active and higher, shortly.

A copy of our letter will be mailed upon application and we respectfully solicit a share of your patronage.

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MARCH 26

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Monday Night—"THE BLACK FLAG"

Change of Play at Every Performance

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Ladies' 15 cent tickets OPENING

NIGHT if reserved before 7 p. m. Monday.

Seats on sale Friday morning at

Wilson house drug store.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BERKSHIRE, SS. PROBATE COURT.

1. All persons interested in the estate of Mary Daily, late of North Adams, in said county, deceased:

6. Whereas, Michael Cavanaugh, the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the first and final account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased. You are hereby cited to appear at a probate court, to be held at 11 o'clock, in said county of Berkshire on the third day of April, A. D. 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the North Adams Transcript, a newspaper published in said North Adams, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said court.

Witness, Edward T. Slocum, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of March, in the year one thousand nine hundred.

FRED R. SHAW, Register.

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Now is the time to get your wheel put in order for this season's riding and we are the ones that can do it right. Just call and see about it. We will send for it—no trouble to you.

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Every dollar draws a prize in strength, riding qualities and general satisfaction. We have 50 new ones in stock and more coming.

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(This ad tells about the stores closing and is paid for by the Clerks' Union)

The following Butchers, Grocers and Butter and Egg Stores will close Their stores Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at 6.30 p. m., and Saturdays at 10.30 p. m. sharp.

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J. A. Johnson,
James H. Griffin,
J. H. & H. A. Labrie,
John J. Sullivan,
B. J. Boland,
D. Girouard,
Guzzi & Bzato,
Chas. C. Fisher,
M. Van Ness Braham,
H. A. Sherman,
Ansell & Ripton,
Michael Cavanaugh,
B. J. Ellis,
C. A. Stroud,
N. T. Gleason,
C. E. Potter,
Fred Gregory,
L. Matthews & Co.,
W. W. & A. R. Smith,
Ryan Bros.,
B. Lazerns,
E. B. Lantala,
Beauchemin & Menard,
W. H. Broderick,
A. A. Lee,
F. J. Harrington,
Wm. A. Smith,
F. Keefe,
T. F. Gunning,
Now England Butter Co.,
Brown & O'Connor,
E. C. Posson,
N. E. Belanger,
William M. Brown,
John Shand,
R. L. Pluff,
F. C. Roberts,
Enos Reuther,
Treffle Gagnon,
Platz & Co.,
City Market, T. S. Bateman,
Stockwell & Rosston,
C. C. Allord,
Thos. O'Shea,
Xavier Dupre,
Peter Gagnon,
Conrad Mausert,
P. J. Rice & Co.,

Tomorrow we will publish the names of the Dry Goods, Furniture, Crockery and Jewelry stores and Milliners that will conform to these regulations.

THE NEW THEATER

Contract Let, and House to Be Completed by September 1

A THOROUGHLY MODERN HOUSE

Main Floor, Balcony and Gallery. Stage to Accomodate Largest Productions on the Road. Will Seat 1200, and Will Have Every Convenience

It was decided some months ago that North Adams was to have a new ground floor and thoroughly modern theater in the near future, and the public has been looking forward with interest for the definite assurance that the house would be completed in time for the opening of the next theatrical season. This announcement is now made, the contract for the building having been let this week.

Work will begin Monday, April 3, and the contract calls for its completion by September 1. The management of the house will be decided upon within a few days, and bookings for next season will begin at once, so that the city will undoubtedly see next winter the most interesting theatrical season in its history, and will have the pleasure of seeing it in one of the most completely equipped houses of western Massachusetts.

The theater is to be erected by the Richmond estate, on the lot in the rear of the Richmond hotel now occupied by the stables and roadway. The location is convenient, and the house itself will be such as will enable the bringing to North Adams of the largest and best shows on the road, and the staging of them as completely as is done in any city outside of New York and Boston. The stage will be as large as most of the stages in the country, and there will be every facility for the perfect setting of plays. While this is one of the most important features of the new house, the comfort of patrons will not be neglected in the slightest, and theatergoers will find on the opening night a play house that includes every convenience for their comfort.

The architect of the theater is Lucius L. Bridge of Springfield, an experienced theater architect, and will be along the lines of the handsome new theater in Fitchburg, which has been pronounced one of the best arranged in New England.

The main entrance will be by a corridor through the new Richmond house now building, opening on Main street. There will be two gallery entrances, entirely separate from the main entrance, the chief one opening from State street through the old Richmond house. The main entrance will have a marble tiled floor, and will lead into a spacious foyer. On each end of the foyer will lead broad stairways to the balcony. The foyer and aisles of the auditorium will be carpeted, and the house will be heated throughout with handsomely upholstered opera chairs.

The house will seat 1200. An important fact for the comfort of patrons is that the house in size will allow 1400 seats in the space taken up by 1200. This will provide for more space between the seats than is usually allowed, and will add greatly to the convenience and comfort of those who occupy them.

Opening from the foyer will be handsomely furnished ladies' parlors, waiting rooms, and men's smoking room. The theater corridor will open into the Richmond hotel, so that hotel guests can enter the theater without going outside.

As for the stage, it will be one of the largest and most completely equipped in this part of the country. It will have a width of 75 feet, a depth of 40 feet from footlights to the rear wall, and will be 58 feet from the floor to the gridiron. The proscenium arch will be 32 by 28 feet. A complete and elaborate set of scenery will be provided, capable of furnishing satisfactory settings for almost any play, and of filling out any special scenery carried. The fact that any play, however elaborate in its stage settings, can be presented here as well as in any one-night city in the country, like Springfield, will be one of the most pleasing to local people.

Ten dressing rooms will be provided below the stage, where every convenience will be found. The orchestra will be set as in all modern theaters in front of but considerably below the stage.

There will be three boxes on each side of the stage, six in all, and these will be elaborately furnished. The house will be equipped with a system of electric lighting that will allow any desired scheme of light effects.

Ventilation will be carefully attended to. The system of ventilation is one that has been approved by the state inspectors, and a large fan, run by a 10-horse power motor, will keep the air in circulation.

Plans for the decoration of the interior have not yet been completed, but warm colors will be used, and there is no room for question that the best of taste will prevail and that in appearance as well as in utility, the house will be one of which North Adams may well be proud.

The house will be as nearly fire proof as it is possible for a theater to be, but in addition to its safe construction, there will be a wide alleyway all around the house, providing for exits on all sides, and so arranged as to allow the largest audience to leave the house in a remarkably short time.

The contract for the building has been let to H. P. Cummings and company of Boston and Ware, who are already planning for the beginning of work, and are capable of completing the task of having the house ready for an early September opening without fear of delay.

ESCAPE HEADED OFF

"Old Pop" Wells of Petersburg Caught by Troy Officer

John Wells of Petersburg, better known here as "Old Pop" Wells, was arrested yesterday morning by Officer Murnane of Troy. Petersburg is a no-tolerance town, and it is alleged that Wells, who keeps a place just on the New York side of the Vermont state line, has been supplying the needs of the thirsty not only to the New York side of the line, but also on the Vermont side, as it is but like "just stepping across the road" to go from his place into Vermont.

His house is the last one on the New York border, and the charge is made that not only the mysterious beverages known as "uknow" was kept on tap there, but stronger liquors also. Officer Murnane being aware of the facility with which a person desiring to avoid an interview with him could skip "across the road" into Vermont, came to this city Thursday and remained over night. He was up with the sun, or before it, yesterday morning, and went on picket duty on a bridge which those contemplating an invasion of or flight to Vermont have to cross. From his post of observation he had a view of the Wells premises, and about 5 o'clock saw the man he wanted enter his barn and prepare to take the road.

He hastened to the barn, arrested Wells and took him to Troy. Later in the day Wells was bailed for appearance at the next term of the county court.

DOCTORED THE DOCTOR

Leader in Restrictive Legislation Took Magnetic Treatment From Pfeiffer

Dr. Pfeiffer of this city was one of the witnesses before the legislative committee on judiciary this week, at a hearing of remonstrants against the recommendations of the state board of registration in medicine for further legislation to restrict the practice of medicine except by regular physicians.

His testimony was of interest, since it referred to Dr. Harvey, one of the advocates of the proposed measures. Dr. Harvey has been very active in support of the restrictions on the practice of magnetic healers, Christian Scientists and others. There was considerable amusement when Dr. Pfeiffer appeared and testified that he had given magnetic treatment to Dr. Harvey in 1894.

Stanley Works Manager Resigns

Henry Hine, who has been general manager of the Stanley Electric company of Pittsfield since its incorporation in 1891, has resigned his position, to take effect the first of May. There will be a meeting of directors of the company, in Trenton, N. J., next week to act upon the resignation. Mr. Hine will move with his family immediately to Colorado Springs, Col., where he has extensive electrical interests, which will now receive his entire attention.

Another reason for leaving Pittsfield is on account of his health. Mr. Hine returned from California Thursday night and brought with him an order for \$100,000 worth of transmitting machinery for the Stanley company. General Manager Hine is one of the ablest electrical engineers in the country. He has been in the business since 1879 and was formerly connected with the United States and Westinghouse companies. To him is largely due the growth of the Stanley works.

Went From a Sense of Duty

The following account of Dr. Henin is given in the Springfield Republican in connection with his going to Springfield to do contract work:

Dr. C. C. Henin was born in Russia, and has lived there during the greater part of his life. He was graduated from the Cheringow medical college in Russia in 1895 and then began his practice in a hospital. He came to this country in 1898 and was at the Montefiore hospital in New York for nearly a year, and while there learned the English language. From New York he went to Boston, where he was registered by the Massachusetts medical board. He was settled in Springfield for six months in 1897, and from there moved to North Adams on account of poor health. He has been practicing in that city until now. He came here because he does not believe in the newly-formed physicians' union, and thinks that it should be broken.

Success of a Local Artist

At the 62nd exhibition of the Boston Art club, commencing April 7, there will be hung a pen drawing, "A Berkshire home," by R. Emmett Owen, formerly of this city. The drawing was made from the old "Bradley" homestead, near the fish pond, and shows to advantage the picturesque old scene. The National Art magazine, beginning with the April number, will contain illustrations by Mr. Owen each month. A series of stories, "Boyhood days on the farm," to commence in the May number, and to run for 10 months, will be profusely illustrated by Mr. Owen.

CHESHIRE

The quarterly election of officers of the Sons of Temperance was held Thursday evening, and were as follows: W. P. M. M. Morey; W. A. Mrs. Herbert Viner; R. S. Essie Hull; A. R. S. Robert Prince; F. S. Carrie Viner; trans. Mrs. D. Bryant; chaplain, B. T. Brown; conductor, Frank Bliss; asst. con. Nellie Turner; L. S. Frank Ingraham; O. S. Harvey Fowler; Supt. Young People's work, Granville Bliss; organist, Esse Hull; deputy grand worthy patriarch J. Denwood, assisted by Dr. Macnnes of Pittsfield.

George Platner has moved to Stamford, Vt.

Harry Viner left today for Granville, Mass., where he has accepted a position as teacher in the grammar school.

Miss Maude Bryant has returned from Morristown, N. J.

Miss Belle Pulver of Colon, Mich., was in town Friday.

J. G. Woodruff has returned to Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. MORIN

Fell Dead in Store While Resing From Walk. Wife of Ex-Representative

Mrs. Catherine Morin, wife of ex-representative John Morin of Alger street in Adams, died very suddenly last evening. She went to Pittsfield Tuesday and visited her two daughters. She returned last evening on the 5.31 train and got off at Maple Grove. She complained of feeling very tired, and a neighbor carried her satchel for her.

She walked to Anthony & Burlingame's store from the depot, a distance of about 200 yards. She stooped there to rest and was given a chair. Almost as soon as she sat down she sank back in the chair, and examination showed that she had died instantly.

Mr. Morin, who lives a short distance from the store was notified. The shock was terrible. A doctor was called and death was found to be due to heart failure. The body was removed to Mr. Morin's home.

Mr. Morin, who lives a short distance October 25, 1857, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark. She was married to Mr. Morin in July, 1881, and had lived in Adams ever since. Preparations were made for the celebration of the couple's golden wedding anniversary next July. Mrs. Morin was an unusually devoted wife and mother, a kind neighbor and friend, and her death under such peculiar circumstances is a sad blow to the community. She leaves, beside her husband, a son, Charles, Jr., and two daughters, Mrs. Charles E. Bennett and Mrs. S. Chester Lyon of Pittsfield; also a brother, John Clark of Michigan. She was a member of the Baptist church.

News of the Theaters

Next week will open with two good attractions, and will later in the week have a promising play, besides having three nights of repertoire during the last half of the week. The bookings are, for the Columbia: Monday night, "The little minister;" Tuesday night, "The colonial girl;" Saturday night, "Because she loved him so." The Wilson bookings are: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, nights and Friday and Saturday afternoons, the Empire stock company in repertoire and specialties.

"The little minister" tells a familiar story in dramatic form, with a company promised to be about the same as that which presented the play here last year. The play has been most successful in the large cities and "on the road," and offers one of the prettiest of stories with the promise of an excellent representation on the stage.

"A colonial girl" is to play a return engagement at the Columbia with the same company that played it at the same house earlier in the season. The play is one of the most enjoyable romantic productions that the city has had. The story is well told and the setting given the play is of the best. The company is headed by Howard Gould, whose reputation was made in "Prisoner of Zenda," and who has a most effective part in "A colonial girl." The production is one that deserves a warm welcome.

"Because she loved him so" is another of Frohman's plays, being an adaptation by William Gillette from the French. The play is a bright farce comedy that was first done in English in London, and has met with much success in this country.

The Empire stock company that opens a three days' engagement at the Wilson Thursday is headed by Harry Markham, assisted by Carrie Wyman, and will play on Thursday night "The millionaire tramp." The company provides the usual specialties and a picture machine.

There was a small audience at the Columbia last night for the concert by Gilmore's band. The only reason why it should be called "Gilmore's" band is because "that's the name of it," but nevertheless it gave a pleasing program. The band is not large, but is well trained, and the program varied. Conductor Conturlier is a young man with apparently a decided taste for the eccentric in music. Joe O'Hare, a boy soprano, and Miss Margaret Powers, a reader, did more or less to assist.

The Leyburne Bon Ton stock company will close what has been a very successful week at the Wilson this evening by presenting "A desperate man."

Why Berkshire Didn't Get It

From the Boston Record:
One time the appointment for a vacancy in the superior court caused by the death of Judge Dewey, was practically settled in favor of a Berkshire lawyer, and he would have received the much coveted distinction had it not been for the fact of having shown himself altogether too smart in a matter which he once had in his charge. The position naturally would have gone to Berkshire and Murray Crane would naturally have preferred to appoint a Berkshire man, but that is how the slip-up happened.

Williams-Wesleyan Debate

Williams college has decided to form a dual debating society with Wesleyan and the representatives of the Berkshire college who have the arrangements in charge, have succeeded in making all the plans and drawing up the agreements. The president of the new association is John A. Djerf, 1900, of New York city. The debate will be held in the fall, and there will be only two speakers on a side, instead of three, as in the annual Dartmouth debate.

Lease May Go into Effect July 1

Since there is almost no doubt that the Fitchburg lease will now become a fact, it is being reported along the line of the road that the Boston and Maine road will assume charge of the Fitchburg road July 1. The Fitchburg road took charge of the old Boston, Hoosac Tunnel and Western road, June 1, 1887.

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